



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 ON TUESDAY MAY 19, 2015 ON PAGE 115]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
7 SUPERVISORS MEETING WILL CONVENE. [GAVEL] WE ARE FIRST GOING  
8 TO BE LED BY RABBI JONATHAN JAFFE OF THE BERNHARD ADAT ARI EL  
9 VALLEY VILLAGE TEMPLE. AND PETER ROMAN FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 MILITARY VETERANS AFFAIRS WILL THEN LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF  
11 ALLEGIANCE.

12  
13 **RABBI BERNHARD:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. IN JEWISH TRADITION,  
14 WE ARE COMING UP ON SATURDAY NIGHT, THE OBSERVANCE OF THE  
15 HOLIDAY SHAVALOT WHICH WE CELEBRATE GOD'S GIVING THE TORAH TO  
16 THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL ON MOUNT SINAI. HOWEVER, THE RABBIS,  
17 TROUBLESOME CREATURES THAT RABBIS ARE, ASK THE FOLLOWING  
18 QUESTION: THEY SAY WHY IS THE HOLIDAY ABOUT THE GIVING OF  
19 TORAH AND NOT THE RECEIVING OF TORAH BY THE PEOPLE ISRAEL? AND  
20 THEY PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING ANSWER. THEY SAY THE TORAH IS  
21 GIVEN, BUT THE REAL CHALLENGE FOR PEOPLE IS WHETHER THEY'RE  
22 ABLE TO RECEIVE WHAT THE TORAH HAS TO TEACH, WHETHER THEY'RE  
23 ABLE TO RECEIVE THE MESSAGE THAT ALL OF US, ALL OF GOD'S  
24 CREATURES NEED TO BE TREATED WITH LOVE AND WITH CARE AND WITH  
25 CONCERN. AND THEREFORE THE RABBIS CONCLUDED THAT WHILE THE





1 TORAH WAS GIVEN ON A PARTICULAR DAY, THE RECEIVING OF THE  
2 TORAH IS THE CHALLENGE THAT EACH AND EVERY PERSON HAS TO TAKE  
3 UPON THEMSELVES EACH AND EVERY DAY. AND WE ONLY SHOW OURSELVES  
4 TO BE TRUE WITNESSES TO GOD'S TEACHINGS IF WE'RE ABLE TO HEAR  
5 ONE ANOTHER, TO LISTEN TO ONE ANOTHER, TO SHOW OUR CARE AND  
6 CONCERN AND LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER. ONLY WHEN WE ACT IN THIS WAY  
7 TOWARDS ALL OF GOD'S CREATION ARE WE ABLE TO SAY THAT WE HAVE  
8 TRULY RECEIVED GOD'S TORAH, GOD'S TEACHING. AS WE OPEN THIS  
9 MEETING AND AS WE GO THROUGH OUR DAY AND ENCOUNTER PEOPLE, MAY  
10 ALL OF US FROM ALL RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS SHOW OURSELVES TO BE  
11 SUCH WORTHY RECIPIENTS.

12  
13 **PETER ROMAN:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING AND JOIN ME IN SAYING THE  
14 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED]

15  
16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

17  
18 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO  
19 INTRODUCE AND THANK RABBI JONATHAN JAFFE BERNHARD WHO CAME TO  
20 ADAT ARI EL IN 1996 AS ASSISTANT RABBI UPON HIS ORDINATION,  
21 WHERE HE HAS SERVED EVER SINCE. HE IS ONLY THE THIRD SENIOR  
22 RABBI IN THE CONGREGATION'S 70 YEAR HISTORY. RABBI BERNHARD  
23 RECEIVED HIS ORDINATION FROM THE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY  
24 IN MAY OF '86, AND FROM '84 TO '88, STUDIED AT HAVERFORD  
25 COLLEGE IN PENNSYLVANIA, WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR OF



1 ARTS IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES. THE RABBI'S JOURNEY BACK TO JUDAISM  
2 BEGAN WHEN READING ELIE WIESEL'S BOOK "NIGHT" AND CONTINUED  
3 WITH A SUMMER IN ISRAEL ON KIBBUTZ, ATTENDING THE BRANDEIS  
4 BARTON SUMMER INSTITUTE AND THEN A STINT STUDYING AT YESHIVAT  
5 HA'MIVTAR AND HEBREW UNIVERSITY. ALWAYS DRAWN TO TEACHING, THE  
6 RABBINATE ATTRACTED HIM BECAUSE IT ALLOWED HIM TO TEACH ALL  
7 AGES AND IN MANY DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES. IN ADDITION, IT  
8 OFFERED THE CHANCE TO BE OF SERVICE AND INVOLVED WITH FAMILIES  
9 AND INDIVIDUALS IN THE FULL RANGE OF LIFE CYCLE EVENTS AND TO  
10 BE THERE IN MOMENTS OF JOY OR SADNESS. EVENTUALLY HE DECIDED  
11 TO GO INTO THE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY BECAUSE HE FELT THE  
12 CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENT STRUCK THE BEST BALANCE BETWEEN STAYING  
13 ROOTED IN TRADITION WHILE BEING OPEN TO INNOVATION. RABBI  
14 BERNHARD HAS SERVED IN AND BEEN PART OF A NUMBER OF COMMUNAL  
15 ORGANIZATIONS AND IS CURRENTLY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF  
16 RABBIS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HE IS MARRIED TO LAURIE AND  
17 TOGETHER THEY HAVE THREE SONS, NATHANIEL, MICAH AND ELIJAH.  
18 THANK YOU VERY MUCH, RABBI. [APPLAUSE.]

19  
20 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND  
21 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3 WITH  
22 PRESENTATIONS AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-1, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
23 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MAY 26, 2015.  
24 ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
25 COMMISSION. ON ITEM 1-D, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE



1 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 7, AGENDA FOR  
2 THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ON  
3 ITEM 1-P, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
4 HELD AND ITEM 2-P IS BEFORE YOU.

5  
6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SECONDED,  
7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 8, BOARD OF  
10 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10. ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS INCLUDES  
11 THE ADDITION AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO.  
12 2, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT  
13 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 6, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A  
14 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM  
15 NO. 9, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.  
16 AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE  
17 BEFORE YOU.

18  
19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECOND  
20 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21  
22 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 15, CONSENT  
23 CALENDAR, ON ITEMS 11 THROUGH 59. ON NO. 11, MEMBERS OF THE  
24 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 12, A MEMBER OF  
25 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 13,



1 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO.  
2 16, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON  
3 ITEM NO. 17, THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR REQUESTS THIS  
4 ITEM BE CONTINUED, I'M SORRY, TO BE REFERRED BACK TO THE  
5 DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM NO. 19, THIS INCLUDES THE CORRECTIONS AS  
6 POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER  
7 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 20,  
8 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTES NO ON THIS ITEM. AND ON THIS ITEM,  
9 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEM NO.  
10 21, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON  
11 ITEM NO. 22, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT  
12 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 26, 2015. THAT'S 22. ON  
13 ITEM 23, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST  
14 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 24, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
15 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 25, THE DIRECTOR  
16 OF MENTAL HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK  
17 TO MAY 26, 2015, AND ON NO. 27, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
18 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 32, SUPERVISOR  
19 ANTONOVICH VOTES NO ON THIS ITEM AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
20 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 33, A MEMBER OF  
21 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 35, THIS  
22 INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.  
23 AND ON THIS ITEM, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT IT BE  
24 HELD. ON ITEM NO. 36, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL ABSTAIN  
25 FROM THE VOTE. AND ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC



1 REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEM 37, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
2 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. 39, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
3 AND 40, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE  
4 HELD. ON ITEM NO. 48, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT  
5 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JUNE 2, 2015. ON ITEM NO.  
6 50, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON  
7 ITEM 51, THE FIRE CHIEF REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED  
8 TWO WEEKS TO JUNE 2, 2015. ON ITEM 52, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
9 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO  
10 JUNE 2, 2015. ON ITEM 54, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT  
11 THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT  
12 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

13  
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-  
15 THOMAS, SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16  
17 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 39, ORDINANCE FOR  
18 INTRODUCTION, ITEM 60 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION  
19 AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 6 SALARIES BY RESTORING,  
20 ESTABLISHING, ADDING, DELETING AND/OR CHANGING CERTAIN  
21 CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBERS OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS  
22 DEPARTMENTS. AND ON THIS ITEM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC OR  
23 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT IT BE HELD. ITEM 61 WILL BE  
24 HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ITEM 62-A, ON PAGE 40, MISCELLANEOUS  
25 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS





1 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
2 AGENDA. ON ITEM 62-A, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT  
3 THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND 62-B IS BEFORE YOU.

4  
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SECOND  
6 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7  
8 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 43, NOTICES OF  
9 CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM C.S.-1, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT  
10 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 16, 2015. ON ITEM C.S.-2, A  
11 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND  
12 CLOSED SESSION WILL ALSO INCLUDE ITEM C.S.-7 AS POSTED ON THE  
13 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.  
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL  
15 DISTRICT NO. 2.

16  
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY?

18  
19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR,  
20 COLLEAGUES. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I'M PLEASED TODAY THAT WE  
21 ARE HERE WITH VERY SPECIAL INDIVIDUALS AND I'M DELIGHTED TO  
22 RECOGNIZE THE VOLUNTEER FOSTER PARENTS OF JUMPSTART. GIVE THEM  
23 A ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] WE HAVE WITH US  
24 CHRISTINE MANLEY, JUMP START SENIOR SITE MANAGER. [APPLAUSE.]  
25 AND SHARON WATERS, FOSTER GRANDPARENT VOLUNTEER. ROUND OF



1 APPLAUSE FOR SHARON. [APPLAUSE.] AND WE TAKE NOTE OF SARAH  
2 HAWKINS, FOSTER GRANDPARENT VOLUNTEER. ROUND OF APPLAUSE FROM  
3 SARAH. [APPLAUSE.] I GET THE IMPRESSION THAT JUMPSTART IS IN  
4 THE HOUSE, IS THAT RIGHT? WAVE YOUR HANDS IN THE AIR LIKE YOU  
5 JUST DON'T CARE. ALL RIGHT. [LAUGHTER.] JUMPSTART IS A  
6 NATIONAL EARLY CHILDHOOD ORGANIZATION WORKING TOWARDS THE DAY  
7 THAT EVERY CHILD IN AMERICA ENTERS KINDERGARTEN PREPARED TO  
8 SUCCEED. WE KNOW THE ACADEMIC SUCCESS OF CHILDREN IN THEIR  
9 LATER YEARS IS DIRECTLY CORRELATED WITH THE QUALITY OF EARLY  
10 CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND THEIR KINDERGARTEN READINESS. THE  
11 FIRST FEW YEARS OF EDUCATION AND PREPAREDNESS ARE THE MOST  
12 CRUCIAL TO ESTABLISHING A SOLID FOUNDATION FROM WHICH CHILDREN  
13 CAN ADAPT TO THE CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT AND LEARN SUCCESSFULLY.  
14 TODAY WE HONOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF JUMPSTART FOSTER  
15 GRANDPARENTS AND THOSE WHO ARE VOLUNTEERING TO BUILD BRIGHTER  
16 FUTURES FOR OUR CHILDREN IN OUR -- HEALTHIER COMMUNITY. I  
17 BELIEVE THAT DESERVES A ROUND OF APPLAUSE RIGHT THERE BECAUSE  
18 THAT IS WHAT IT'S ABOUT. [APPLAUSE.] THE JUMPSTART GRANDPARENT  
19 PROGRAM IS A PROUD MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL SENIOR CORPS, THE  
20 PROGRAM WHICH ENGAGES ADULTS 55 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER AND  
21 VOLUNTEERING SOME 15 TO 40 HOURS EACH AND EVERY WEEK. THESE  
22 VOLUNTEERS ARE TRAINED TO IMPLEMENT A RESEARCH-BASED  
23 CURRICULUM SERVING PRESCHOOL AGE CHILDREN. THIS YEAR JUMPSTART  
24 FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM ENGAGED 70 OLDER ADULTS TO PROVIDE  
25 JUMPSTART'S LANGUAGE AND LITERACY PROGRAM TO 220 CHILDREN IN



1 COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.] SO ONE  
2 SUCH VOLUNTEER IS SARAH HAWKINS. SARAH HAS SERVED AS A  
3 JUMPSTART FOSTER GRANDPARENT FOR FOUR YEARS. A FORMER NURSE,  
4 SARAH CONTINUES TO SHOW KINDNESS, COMPASSION, PATIENCE TOWARD  
5 THE CHILDREN IN THE CLASSROOM AND THE FOSTER GRANDPARENTS  
6 JOINING US TODAY. GIVE SARAH ANOTHER BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.  
7 THANK YOU, SARAH. [APPLAUSE.] SHE'S DEDICATED HER LIFE TO THE  
8 BETTERMENT OF OTHERS. SHE FEELS THAT EACH YEAR THERE IS  
9 SOMETHING TO LEARN AND SOMETHING TO CONTRIBUTE. SO ON TODAY  
10 AND IN OBSERVANCE OF SENIOR CORPS WEEK, WE CELEBRATE THE  
11 IMPACT OF SARAH AND HER FELLOW JUMPSTART FOSTER GRANDPARENTS  
12 AND THE VITAL CONTRIBUTIONS THEY PROVIDE TO OUR COMMUNITY. WE  
13 SIMPLY WANT TO SAY THAT WE THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO TO  
14 HELP OUR CHILDREN INVEST IN OUR COLLECTIVE FUTURE. JUMPSTART  
15 FOSTER GRANDPARENTS AND BOARD MEMBERS ARE OBVIOUSLY HERE IN  
16 THE AUDIENCE. AND PLEASE JOIN ME IN ACKNOWLEDGING JUMPSTART  
17 FOSTER GRANDPARENTS WITH A BIG, BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. THANK  
18 YOU. [APPLAUSE.] I GIVE YOU HONORABLE HILDA SOLIS.

19  
20 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND TODAY I  
21 JOIN YOU IN HONORING THE TREMENDOUS WORK OF JUMPSTART SENIOR  
22 CORPS, VOLUNTEERS FOR CREATING MEANINGFUL INTERGENERATIONAL  
23 RELATIONSHIPS WITH PRESCHOOL AGED CHILDREN. THANK GOD YOU ARE  
24 THERE. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THESE VOLUNTEERS DEDICATE THEIR TIME  
25 TO SERVE UNDERSERVED PRESCHOOLERS IN AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE



1 LITERACY SKILLS OF THESE YOUNGSTERS. BY DOING SO, THESE  
2 SENIORS SERVE AS MENTORS, HELP PROVIDE EMOTIONAL SUPPORT AND  
3 STABILITY TO PRESCHOOL AGED CHILDREN. FROM BOYLE HEIGHTS TO  
4 PICO-UNION TO UNIVERSITY PARK, OUR JUMPSTART SENIOR CORPS  
5 VOLUNTEERS ARE FOSTERING SOCIAL CONNECTIONS WITH OUR YOUNGEST  
6 LEARNERS IN THE COMMUNITIES OF HIGHEST NEED. AS WE CELEBRATE  
7 NATIONAL SENIOR CORPS WEEK, IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSCORE THE  
8 WORK AND DEDICATION OF OUR SENIOR VOLUNTEERS RIGHT HERE IN OUR  
9 OWN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. FOR ALL THAT YOU DO TO PREPARE YOUNG  
10 CHILDREN FOR KINDERGARTEN AND STRENGTHEN INTERGENERATIONAL  
11 RELATIONSHIPS, WE THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATE YOU. NOW I'D LIKE  
12 TO ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE ONE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS, MR. EMERITO TADIO,  
13 BETTER KNOWN AS TITO. HE IS A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF A TRULY  
14 EXEMPLARY VOLUNTEER. TITO, MUCHAS GRACIAS. TITO HAS BEEN  
15 SERVING IN THE JUMPSTART PROGRAM FOR THREE YEARS, RETURNING  
16 YEAR AFTER YEAR TO SUPPORT THE SAME PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM IN  
17 BOYLE HEIGHTS. HIS LEVEL OF COMMITMENT IS REMARKABLE. HE  
18 SERVES 35 HOURS A WEEK AT THE PRESCHOOL THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL  
19 YEAR, SPENDING AT LEAST FIVE ADDITIONAL HOURS EACH WEEK,  
20 STUDYING AND PREPARING FOR HIS JUMPSTART LESSONS AT HOME. TITO  
21 IS A SKILLED TEACHER. HE KNOWS HOW TO ENCOURAGE CHILDREN'S  
22 LEARNING WHILE SUPPORTING AN ENVIRONMENT THAT IS WHOLESOME,  
23 FUN AND PLAYFUL. A NATURAL LEADER AMONGST HIS PEERS, TITO  
24 ENCOURAGES THE BOTH HIS TEAM AND THE ENTIRE CORPS TO STRIVE  
25 FOR EXCELLENCE WHILE STILL MAKING FOR RELATIONSHIP BUILDING



1 AND CONNECTION. AND FOR THAT WE THANK YOU. AND HE IS A  
2 WONDERFUL GRANDFATHER, TOO. THANK YOU, TITO. [APPLAUSE.]

3  
4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND SO WE'RE NOW GOING TO HAVE CHRISTINE  
5 COME AND MAKE A FEW REMARKS. WE WANT TO PRESENT THIS ON BEHALF  
6 OF THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN HONOR OF SENIOR CORPS  
7 VOLUNTEERS WEEK. BUT A BIG SHOUT OUT TO JUMPSTART WHO DECLARE,  
8 CHILDREN ARE FIRST. GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

9  
10 **CHRISTINE MANLEY:** THANK YOU TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS, ESPECIALLY  
11 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR  
12 RECOGNIZING THIS AMAZING GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS TODAY. WITH THE  
13 SUPPORT OF THE FIRST AND SECOND DISTRICT, OUR PROGRAM HAS BEEN  
14 CONNECTED WITH A GREAT FOUNDATION, PROVIDING BOOK DONATIONS TO  
15 THE CHILDREN WE SERVE AND IS SPREADING THE WORD ABOUT THIS  
16 PROGRAM IN THE COMMUNITY. WE TRULY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT AND  
17 HOPE WE CAN WORK WITH ALL THE DISTRICTS ONE DAY. WE KNOW THAT  
18 THERE IS AN EDUCATION CRISIS IN OUR COUNTY. WHEN WE THINK OF  
19 ALL THE HURDLES THAT THE CHILDREN IN OUR COUNTY MUST CROSS IN  
20 ORDER TO SUCCEED, DOING WELL IN SCHOOL, GRADUATING, FINDING A  
21 JOB, CONTRIBUTING BACK TO THEIR COMMUNITY, WE KNOW THAT IT IS  
22 LONG JOURNEY FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES. AND WHEN WE  
23 THINK OF THE BARRIERS THAT PREVENT THESE CHILDREN FROM  
24 SUCCEEDING, ESPECIALLY THE HUGE BURDEN THAT POVERTY PLACES ON  
25 OUR COMMUNITIES AND THE TREMENDOUS IMPACT THIS HAS ON THE





1 CHILDREN'S LANGUAGE AND LITERACY SKILLS, THIS JOURNEY CAN SEEM  
2 DAUNTING, ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO FACE. BUT THERE IS HOPE.  
3 RESEARCH PROVES THAT HIGH QUALITY, EARLY EDUCATION EXPERIENCES  
4 ARE DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO CHILDREN'S SUCCESS IN SCHOOL, THEIR  
5 GRADUATION, THEIR ABILITY TO GET JOBS AND BEYOND. JUMPSTART'S  
6 PROGRAM PROVIDES THE LANGUAGE AND LITERACY SUPPORT THAT YOUNG  
7 CHILDREN WHO ARE AT RISK OF FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS NEED TO  
8 SUCCEED IN KINDERGARTEN AND BEYOND. WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE  
9 BY STARTING YOUNG AND BY STARTING NOW. FOR THIS REASON, THE  
10 SERVICE OF THESE JUMPSTART FOSTER GRANDPARENTS SITTING HERE  
11 BEFORE YOU IS CRITICAL TO OUR FUTURE. TRUE, THIS PROGRAM IS  
12 HEART WARMING, AN IMPACT THAT WILL HAVE A RIPPLE EFFECT FOR  
13 YEARS TO COME. THE CONNECTION THAT THE GRANDPARENTS BUILD WITH  
14 THE CHILDREN IS AMAZING. BUT NOT ONLY IS IT HEART WARMING,  
15 IT'S SO IMPORTANT. WE NEED CHILDREN TO BE READY TO SUCCEED.  
16 AND THANKS TO THE SERVICE OF THESE AMAZING VOLUNTEERS, THE  
17 FUTURE OF L.A. COUNTY IS A LITTLE BIT BRIGHTER. SO IN FRONT OF  
18 US TODAY WE THANK THIS REMARKABLE TREASURE, THIS GROUP OF  
19 AMAZING, DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS THAT KEEPS GIVING BACK YEAR  
20 AFTER YEAR. AND THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING TOGETHER TODAY TO  
21 RECOGNIZE THEIR SERVICE AND CELEBRATE THEIR COMMITMENT FOR  
22 SENIOR CORPS WEEK. [APPLAUSE.]

23



1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT  
2   SHARON WATERS HAS SOMETHING TO SAY AND WE WANT TO HEAR HER.  
3   SHARON, COME ON AND SAY A WORD TO US. [APPLAUSE.]  
4

5   **SHARON WATERS:** GOOD MORNING. I JUST WANT TO GIVE YOU A  
6   BACKGROUND OF MY HISTORY IN HOW I GOT INVOLVED IN JUMPSTART.  
7   THEY CALLED ME A BABY BOOMER BECAUSE MY BACKGROUND IS WORKING  
8   WITH NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. I STARTED OFF WITH W.I.N.,  
9   C.I.T.A., J.T.T.A. AND WORKFORCE CENTERS WHERE I WORKED WITH  
10   ALL TYPE OF PEOPLE FROM EX-OFFENDERS TO AT-RISK YOUTH TO  
11   PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST BEEN LAID OFF IN THEIR JOBS. THEN I HAD A  
12   CRISIS IN MY LIFE WHERE ONE YEAR I LOST MY HUSBAND IN 2003.  
13   THEN I GOT LAID OFF FROM MY JOB IN 2004. MY BEST SUPERVISOR  
14   HAD BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER IN 2004. SO I WENT INTO A TOTAL  
15   DEEP DEPRESSION WHERE I DIDN'T WANT TO DO ANYTHING. I JUST  
16   WANTED TO, LIKE, FADE AWAY. I WAS IN LIKE A TUNNEL TRYING TO  
17   FIND MY WAY OUT. AND MY MOM WHO IS 90 YEARS OLD, THAT S IN  
18   JUMPSTART, SHE CAME TO ME AND SAID, "THIS IS SOMETHING THAT  
19   YOU NEED TO GET INVOLVED IN BECAUSE YOU'VE ALWAYS HELPED  
20   PEOPLE. YOU NEED TO BE A PART OF THIS ORGANIZATION. ". I KEPT  
21   SAYING-- I TOLD MY MOM, I SAID, I CAN'T DO IT RIGHT NOW  
22   BECAUSE I DIDN'T FEEL WORTHY OF DOING IT. [APPLAUSE.] AND THEN  
23   MY MOM, SHE'S LIKE: GET UP! YOU'RE GOING. GET UP. AND  
24   EVERYBODY KNOW MY MOM IN JUMPSTART. SHE'S A VERY FORCEFUL  
25   WOMAN. THAT'S WHERE I GOT IT FROM. AND SHE BROUGHT ME TO



1 JUMPSTART. AND I WAS INTERVIEWED. I WENT TO THE FIRST  
2 ORIENTATION. I MET MY CHILDREN. THEY BROKE ME OUT OF THE  
3 TUNNEL BECAUSE I SAW LIGHT AND I SAW HOW I CAN HELP OTHER KIDS  
4 BESIDES WHAT I WAS DOING BEFORE HELPING PEOPLE. AND WHEN I  
5 WOULD GET A PERSON A JOB, AN EX-OFFENDER A JOB WHERE NOBODY  
6 ELSE WOULD GIVE HIM A JOB, BUT I HAD TO SELL HIM. I WAS ABLE  
7 TO DO THIS WITH MY KIDS. SO JUMPSTART SAVED MY LIFE. AND IT  
8 CAN SAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE'S LIVES. WE NEED MORE SENIOR  
9 INVOLVEMENT BECAUSE WE HAVE A GREAT BUNCH OF PEOPLE THAT  
10 REALLY CAN GIVE SOMETHING TO OUR CHILDREN BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN  
11 HERE BEFORE. WE HAVE WISDOM WHERE WE DIDN'T HAVE PATIENCE WITH  
12 OUR OWN KIDS, WE HAVE PATIENCE WITH THEM, YOU KNOW? SO WE HAVE  
13 TO. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO GOING TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO BE A  
14 PART OF OBAMA BEFORE HE LEAVES TO TELL HIM, HEY, LET US HAVE A  
15 PART OF THIS. LET US BE INVOLVED IN MORE JUMPSTART PROGRAMS.  
16 OKAY. THAT'S ENOUGH. [APPLAUSE.]

17  
18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. WHERE'S MOM? THEY SAID MOM'S IN  
19 THE HOUSE. STAND UP, MOM. GIVE MOM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.  
20 THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT, LADIES AND  
21 GENTLEMEN, JUMPSTART IS IN THE HOUSE. AND I SEE YOU ROCKING  
22 THOSE TOMMY HILFINGER T-SHIRTS. I SEE YOU. WORK YOUR PROGRAM.  
23 [APPLAUSE.] LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WELCOME TO OUR DAIS OUR  
24 SPECIAL HONOREE DONALD HABER AND RUSS GUINEY AS WELL AS JOE  
25 MENDOZA, BOTH OF WHOM REPRESENT THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND



1 RECREATION. WE RECOGNIZE DONALD HABER FOR 17 YEARS OF  
2 OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BRITISH  
3 ACADEMY OF FILM AND TELEVISION ARTS HERE IN LOS ANGELES. GIVE  
4 DONALD A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR WHAT HE HAS DONE.  
5 [APPLAUSE.] NOW LET ME JUST TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THIS.  
6 OVER THE YEARS, DONALD HAS LED B.A.F.T.A. L.A. IN BRINGING  
7 VALUABLE RESOURCES TO THE PARKS THROUGHOUT OUR RESPECTIVE  
8 COMMUNITIES, PARTICULARLY IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. B.A.F.T.A. AND  
9 THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION BEGAN THEIR PARTNERSHIP  
10 A DECADE AGO, IN 2005 WITH A SERIES OF FREE MOVIE SCREENINGS  
11 AT HELEN KELLER PARK. IN THE YEARS SINCE, WHAT CAME TO BE  
12 KNOWN AS THE INNER CITY SCREENING PROGRAM HAS EXPANDED TO MORE  
13 THAN 10 PARKS, CAPTIVATING AUDIENCES AND PLACES INCLUDING  
14 ATHENS, ENTERPRISE PARK AND TED WATKINS. THESE SCREENINGS  
15 AREN'T JUST WATCHING MOVIES, BUT MR. HABER AND HIS TEAM HAVE  
16 FREQUENTLY ARRANGED FOR THE STARS OF THESE FILMS AS WELL AS  
17 THE DIRECTORS AND PRODUCERS TO APPEAR AT THE SCREENINGS AND  
18 MEET MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITIES. THESE EVENTS DEMONSTRATE THE  
19 ASPIRING-- TO ASPIRING FILM MAKERS AND ACTORS WHAT IS POSSIBLE  
20 WHEN YOU FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS. INDEED, AS MR. HABER ONCE PUT IT,  
21 AND I QUOTE, BY USING THE MAGIC OF FILM, WE HAVE WITNESSED A  
22 GENUINE, POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, END QUOTE.  
23 AND THE COMMITMENT DIDN'T STOP THERE. B.A.F.T.A. L.A. HAS ALSO  
24 HELPED TO INTRODUCE DYNAMIC INNER CITY SHAKESPEARE PROGRAM.  
25 YOU KNOW OF IT. TWO LOS ANGELES COUNTY PARKS LIKE LADERA AND



1 MONTE, AND THIS INNER CITY SHAKESPEARE PROGRAM IS EXCEPTIONAL.  
2 UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, B.A.F.T.A. PARTNERED WITH WARNER  
3 BROTHERS TO DELIVER A STATE-OF-THE-ART SOUND SYSTEM TO THE  
4 BRAND NEW HELEN KELLER PARK COMMUNITY CENTER. THEY ALSO HOST  
5 AN ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY AT HELEN KELLER PARK WITH THOUSANDS OF  
6 YOUNG PEOPLE. AND THEIR FAMILIES RECEIVE GIFTS WHILE THEIR  
7 FAMILIES ENJOY FIRST RATE ENTERTAINMENT. SO I WANT TO  
8 CONGRATULATE DONALD FOR ALL THAT HE HAS ACCOMPLISHED. AND  
9 THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT HIS RETIREMENT IS INDEED WELL DESERVED.  
10 THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE  
11 SPIRIT OF SERVICE YOU HAVE BROUGHT TO ALL OF THESE ENDEAVORS,  
12 ESPECIALLY IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. FOR WE SAY TO YOU A VERY  
13 HEARTFELT THANK YOU FOR ALL THE FUN, THE PLEASURE AND THE  
14 FULFILLMENT OF DREAMS THAT YOU HAVE BROUGHT TO OUR  
15 COMMUNITIES. DONALD, THANK YOU SO MUCH. I'M GOING TO ASK YOU  
16 TO MAKE A FEW REMARKS AND THEN I WILL ASK RUSS.

17  
18 **DONALD HABER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. AND THANK YOU  
19 FOR THE BOARD FOR ALL THE HELP THAT YOU'VE GIVEN B.A.F.T.A.  
20 LOS ANGELES AND THE COMMUNITY. I ACCEPT THE AWARD ON BEHALF OF  
21 THE BRITISH ACADEMY OF FILM AND TELEVISION ARTS, LOS ANGELES,  
22 B.A.F.T.A. L.A. SPECIFICALLY BOARD MEMBERS LIKE GARY DARTNELL,  
23 KATY HABER, PAUL HELLER, ALL OF WHOM WERE SO INSTRUMENTAL IN  
24 STARTING THE PROGRAM AND NOURISHING IT OVER THE YEARS. I'D  
25 LIKE TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION,





1 SPECIFICALLY RUSS GUINEY, JOE MENDOZA, JOHN WICKER WHO HAVE  
2 BEEN JUST WONDERFUL PARTNERS IN THIS WHOLE JOURNEY OF BRINGING  
3 ENTERTAINMENT, AND MOST OF ALL I WANT TO THANK THE COMMUNITY  
4 AROUND HELEN KELLER PARK. IT WAS ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO THE  
5 COMMUNITY CAME TO US AND HAD AN IDEA OF USING FILM TO RECLAIM  
6 THE PARKS FROM SOME OF THE BAD ELEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY, SOME  
7 OF THE GANGS. AND WE STARTED BRINGING THE FILMS THERE AND THE  
8 COMMUNITY CAME OUT AND IT WAS JUST ONE SUCCESS AFTER ANOTHER.  
9 AND SO THE COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY PEOPLE LIKE GARY ROBINSON,  
10 MARVO HITTER DESERVE SO MUCH CREDIT FOR ALL THAT WE  
11 ACCOMPLISHED TOGETHER. AND I THINK REALLY THE LESSON TO BE  
12 LEARNED THROUGH ALL OF THIS JOURNEY AND THE SUCCESS HAS BEEN  
13 THE WAY THAT THE DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS, THE DIFFERENT  
14 ORGANIZATIONS CAME TOGETHER AND WORKED TOGETHER. AND BY THAT I  
15 MEAN THE SUPERVISORS, THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION,  
16 NONPROFIT OR THE BRITISH ACADEMY OF FILM. AND REALLY WORKED  
17 AND WERE ABLE TO RECLAIM A PARK AND THEN WERE ABLE TO RECLAIM  
18 ANOTHER PARK. AND THE COMMUNITY REALLY DID ALL THE HEAVY  
19 LIFTING. AND WERE JUST SPECTACULAR IN THE WAY THAT THEY UNITED  
20 TO MAKE SURE THAT THEIR KIDS HAD A SAFE PLACE TO COME TO OVER  
21 THE YEARS. IT JUST GREW AND GREW INTO NOT ONLY MORE PARKS BUT  
22 THE HELEN KELLER PARK ITSELF THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT, WE WERE  
23 ABLE TO REBUILD THE COMMUNITY CENTER THOUGH THROUGH A LARGER  
24 FACILITY, PROVIDING A WHOLE LOT MORE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY  
25 THAT REALLY DID NEED IT. AND THE OTHER PARKS GOT ON BOARD. SO



1 IT'S BEEN A TERRIFIC JOURNEY, REALLY, MOST OF ALL, FOR ME.  
2 IT'S BEEN VERY GRATIFYING. AND I THANK EVERYBODY THAT'S BEEN  
3 INVOLVED. IT'S JUST BEEN TERRIFIC AND I WISH EVERYONE  
4 CONTINUED SUCCESS. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **RUSS GUINEY:** A FEW YEARS AGO DON WAS PLAYING ON A SOCCER TEAM,  
7 ON THE B.A.F.T.A. SOCCER TEAM AT THE HOME DEPOT CENTER AND  
8 THEY WERE PLAYING ANOTHER TEAM. AND THE NAME OF THAT TEAM WAS  
9 "THE REST OF THE WORLD." AND DON IS A TREMENDOUS EXAMPLE OF  
10 SOMEONE WHO'S NOT AFRAID TO TAKE ON THE REST WORLD. AND HE'S  
11 DONE MARVELOUS THINGS FOR US AND THE COMMUNITIES IN SOUTH LOS  
12 ANGELES. SO WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DON, FOR TAKING ON THE  
13 REST OF THE WORLD. NOW THAT YOU'RE RETIRED, YOU'LL HAVE A LOT  
14 OF EXTRA TIME. SO WE HOPE TO SEE YOU OUT AT THE PARK EITHER  
15 PLAYING OR VOLUNTEERING. SO CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** ALL THE SUPERVISORS ARE SO POLITE, IT'S LIKE AFTER  
20 YOU, NO, AFTER YOU. TODAY, IT'S MY GREAT PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE  
21 AND PARTICIPATE WITH ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES IN CELEBRATING THIS  
22 MONTH AS FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH, TO RECOGNIZE THE  
23 CRITICAL AND IMPORTANT WORK OF CARING FOR AND ABOUT MORE THAN  
24 18,000 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, OVER  
25 HALF OF WHOM LIVE WITH A RELATIVE. AND BUILDING ON PREVIOUS



1 WORK, THIS NEW BOARD HAS ACHIEVED SOME IMPORTANT MILESTONES  
2 ALREADY. WE'VE ESTABLISHED THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION TO  
3 OVERSEE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BLUE  
4 RIBBON COMMISSION. WE'VE ADOPTED A COUNTY-WIDE CHILD SAFETY  
5 MISSION TO UNDERScore THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR KIDS IN EVERY  
6 COUNTY DEPARTMENT. WE'VE IMPROVED OUR MEDICAL HUBS AND MOVED  
7 FORWARD WITH A PROPOSAL THROUGH WHICH NURSES WILL BE ADDED TO  
8 THE TEAM HELPING YOUNG CHILDREN REFERRED FOR ABUSE OR NEGLECT.  
9 AND EFFECTIVE JUNE 1ST WE'LL BE ENSURING THAT ALL RELATIVE  
10 CAREGIVERS RECEIVES A LONG OVERDUE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND  
11 EQUALITY THEY DESERVE. STILL, THERE'S A LOT MORE TO DO. BY  
12 THIS TIME NEXT YEAR, IT'S MY HOPE THAT WE CAN MAKE STRIDES  
13 TOWARD EXPANDING EFFORTS TO PREVENT CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT SO  
14 OUR KIDS DON'T ENTER THE SYSTEM IN THE FIRST PLACE, PROVIDING  
15 RELATIVE CAREGIVERS WITH NOT ONLY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BUT  
16 ALSO THE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS THEY NEED, AND ENSURING THAT  
17 FOSTER YOUTH RECEIVE THE SUPPORT THEY NEED TO TRANSITION TO A  
18 STABLE AND SELF-SUFFICIENT ADULTHOOD. FIRST THE BOARD WOULD  
19 LIKE TO HONOR PHILIP BROWNING AND THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT OF  
20 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR THEIR TIRELESS WORK IN  
21 STRIVING TO KEEP OUR COUNTY'S CHILDREN SAFE AND THE EFFORTS  
22 THEY MAKE TO IMPROVE THE SYSTEM FOR THE FUTURE. THIS IS  
23 DEFINITELY WHERE THE RUBBER HITS THE ROAD FOR THE COUNTY, FOR  
24 OUR CHILDREN. AND WE'D LIKE TO HONOR THE WORK OF THE ENTIRE  
25 DEPARTMENT. [APPLAUSE.] PLEASE GIVE THEM A BIG HAND. I'M GOING



1 TO ASK PHILIP TO WRAP UP AFTER WE'VE HONORED ALL OF OUR  
2 PARENTS, TO SAY A FEW WORDS ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT AND  
3 HIMSELF. THIS IS ALSO A GREAT TIME TO RECOGNIZE OUR PARTNERS  
4 IN THE COMMUNITY WHO DEDICATE THEIR LIVES TO HELPING TO KEEP  
5 OUR KIDS SAFE. FIRST TODAY I'D LIKE TO HONOR JEANNE AND TONY  
6 PRITZKER AND THEIR FAMILY FOUNDATION FOR FOCUSING A GREAT DEAL  
7 OF THEIR PHILANTHROPIC EFFORTS ON IMPROVING THE LIVES OF  
8 FOSTER YOUTH. THROUGH THE PRITZKER FOSTER CARE INITIATIVE AND  
9 FOSTER CARE COUNTS, A VOLUNTEER DRIVEN 501 (C) 3 NONPROFIT,  
10 THEY WORKED TO RAISE AWARENESS AND TO SUPPORT FOSTER YOUTH AND  
11 THE AGENCIES THAT SERVE THEM. JUST THIS PAST MOTHER'S DAY THEY  
12 HOSTED THEIR 7TH ANNUAL CELEBRATION FOR FOSTER PARENTS WHERE  
13 OVER 2,000 FOSTER YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES ENJOYED A DAY OF  
14 FUN, FOOD AND A LITTLE PAMPERING. FOSTER CARE COUNTS ALSO  
15 OFFERS PROGRAMS LIKE ONE LAPTOP PER FOSTER YOUTH AND TEEN  
16 INTERVIEWING WORKSHOPS TO HELP FOSTER YOUTH WHO ARE EXITING  
17 THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. RECENTLY THEY ESTABLISHED A \$3 MILLION  
18 FOSTER YOUTH ENDOWMENT TO SUPPORT FOSTER YOUTH ATTENDING  
19 U.C.L.A. WITH BASIC FINANCIAL NEEDS SUCH AS SUMMER HOUSING,  
20 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND OTHER EXPENSES. PLEASE JOIN ME IN  
21 HONORING JEANNE AND TONY, FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN SO MANY  
22 YOUNG LIVES IN L.A. COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.]

23  
24 **JEANNE PRITZKER:** WE WANT TO THANK YOU AND EVERYBODY IN THIS  
25 ROOM FOR CARING ABOUT FOSTER KIDS, FOR EVERYTHING YOU DO FOR



1 FOSTER KIDS, AND TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE CONTINUE TO LET US KNOW  
2 WHAT YOU NEED AND HOW WE CAN HELP AS YOU GO FORWARD WITH US TO  
3 IMPROVE THE LIVES OF THESE KIDS. JUST LET US KNOW. [APPLAUSE.]

4  
5 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND LAST BUT OF COURSE NOT LEAST, MOST IMPORTANT,  
6 ACTUALLY MOST IMPORTANT, EACH ONE OF THE FIVE OF US WOULD LIKE  
7 TO HONOR AN EXCEPTIONAL FOSTER PARENT OR PARENTS FROM HIS OR  
8 HER DISTRICT. OUR KIDS REQUIRE A SPECIAL KIND OF PERSON TO  
9 HELP THEM HEAL. D.C.F.S. AND THE COUNTY COULD NOT DO THEIR  
10 WORK WITHOUT THE DEDICATION AND GENEROSITY OF COUNTLESS FOSTER  
11 AND RELATIVE CAREGIVERS. OUR FOSTER PARENTS ARE MARRIED AND  
12 SINGLE, GAY AND STRAIGHT. THEY ARE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS AND  
13 OLDER. THEY SPEAK SPANISH, ENGLISH AND DOZENS OF OTHER  
14 LANGUAGES. WITH MANY MORE CHILDREN THAN HOMES AVAILABLE, WE  
15 ENCOURAGE THOSE IN OUR AUDIENCE TO CONSIDER BECOMING A FOSTER  
16 PARENT. THIS IS A SHAMELESS SHOUT OUT FOR YOU TO CALL 888-811-  
17 1121. 888-811-1121. AND NEXT YEAR WE'LL HONOR YOU UP HERE ON  
18 THE STAGE AS GREAT FOSTER PARENTS. FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT, IT  
19 IS MY REAL JOY TO HONOR SERI WEINER AND EUNICE. BY THE TIME  
20 EUNICE WAS 12, SHE'D BEEN IN MULTIPLE FOSTER HOMES, 15  
21 DIFFERENT SCHOOLS. AS ANY OF US WOULD BE, EUNICE FOUND HERSELF  
22 STRUGGLING. THEN THREE YEARS AGO, SHE CAME TO LIVE WITH SERI.  
23 AS A LOVING CAREGIVER AND A FIERCE ADVOCATE FOR EUNICE, SERI  
24 WORKED WITH L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS AT  
25 HALE CHARTER ACADEMY, WHO ACCORDING TO MISS WEINER CAME IN





1    LIKE S.W.A.T. AND RALLIED AROUND EUNICE, FOCUSING ON HER  
2    STRENGTHS. NOW EUNICE IS A GIFTED WRITER IN HONORS ENGLISH  
3    WHOSE FAVORITE SUBJECT IS SCIENCE. SHE HAS STRAIGHT A'S. AND  
4    SHE'LL BE STARTING AT AN HONORS MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL IN THE FALL  
5    AND DREAMS OF BECOMING A LAWYER OR A CRIMINOLOGIST.  
6    CONGRATULATIONS TO SERI AND EUNICE, BOTH TRUE HEROES.  
7    [APPLAUSE.]

8

9    **SUP. KUEHL:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO BE NEXT? IS THAT RIGHT? OR  
10    WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO, MR. MAYOR?

11

12    **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. AND I'M PROUD THIS  
13    MORNING ALSO TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR GEORGE AND BRENDA  
14    UNDERWOOD FROM BALDWIN PARK IN THE FIRST DISTRICT.  
15    CONGRATULATIONS ON THIS AWARD. THE UNDERWOODS DESERVE  
16    RECOGNITION FOR BEING EXCEPTIONAL FOSTER PARENTS FOR MEDICALLY  
17    FRAGILE CHILDREN. MR. AND MRS. UNDERWOOD ARE CURRENTLY CARING  
18    FOR A CHILD WHO CAME TO THEM WITH A TERMINAL ILLNESS. THE  
19    CHILD'S DISEASE WAS IN REMISSION AFTER JUST THREE WEEKS OF  
20    BEING PLACED IN THEIR CARE. THE UNDERWOODS GO ABOVE AND BEYOND  
21    THEIR DUTY TO OFFER THIS CHILD A RENEWED SENSE OF GREAT  
22    EXPERIENCES. IN ADDITION, THEY'RE GOING TO ADOPT NOT ONLY THIS  
23    CHILD BUT ALSO HER SIBLING. THE UNDERWOODS ARE EXCEPTIONAL IN  
24    SO MANY WAYS. THEY HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE PARENTS AND  
25    ALLOW THEM PLENTY OF VISITATION TIME AND HAVE OFFERED THE



1 INVITATION TO ATTEND CHURCH WITH THEM. WE ARE TRULY  
2 APPRECIATIVE OF GEORGE AND BRENDA UNDERWOOD AND THE CARE THAT  
3 THEY PROVIDE TO THESE TWO LOVING CHILDREN. THANK YOU SO MUCH  
4 ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU, GEORGE AND  
5 BRENDA. [APPLAUSE.]

6  
7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I'M PLEASED TO  
8 HAVE WITH US TODAY, BEVERLEY ROBERT, KEVIN WILLIAMS, CARLY  
9 BROOM AND PHILIP BROWNING. MS. ROBERT IS A FOSTER PARENT AND A  
10 CAREGIVER DESCRIBED AS ONE WHO ADVOCATES, PROTECTS AND  
11 SUPPORTS THE CHILDREN IN HER CARE. MS. ROBERTS HAS BEEN  
12 INSTRUMENTAL IN HELPING FOSTER YOUTH ASPIRE TO ATTEND AND  
13 PREPARE FOR COLLEGE, ASSISTING THEM TO CHARGE-- TAKE CHARGE OF  
14 AND PLAN FOR THEIR FUTURE. IN FACT, CARLY, THEIR FOSTER  
15 DAUGHTER WHO IS HERE TODAY WITH US, WAS ACCEPTED TO FIVE  
16 COLLEGES, INCLUDING HOWARD-- GIVE HER A ROUND OF APPLAUSE.  
17 [APPLAUSE.] THEY INCLUDE HOWARD UNIVERSITY, XAVIER UNIVERSITY,  
18 SPELLMAN COLLEGE, TO WHICH I AM PARTIAL, AND SHE WILL BE  
19 ATTENDING CAL STATE UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES IN THE FALL. GIVE  
20 HER A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] THAT'S THE MAYOR'S ALMA  
21 MATER, SO I'M SURE HE'LL WANT TO TAKE A PICTURE WITH THIS  
22 ASPIRING SCHOLAR. MS. ROBERT IS DILIGENT, OBSERVANT AND  
23 COMMITTED TO RAISING THE YOUTH THAT COME ACROSS HER PATH, AND  
24 SHE TREATS EACH AND EVERY YOUNG PERSON AS HER VERY OWN. SHE  
25 INSTILLS A BELIEF AND CONFIDENCE THAT SHE WILL BE THERE FOR



1 EACH OF THEM FOR A LIFETIME. WITH HER, THEY WILL ALWAYS HAVE A  
2 PLACE TO CALL HOME. AND SO TODAY I AM PARTICULARLY HONORED TO  
3 RECOGNIZE BEVERLEY ROBERT FOR THE ADMIRABLE AND LIFE CHANGING  
4 CARE SHE HAS PROVIDED AS A FOSTER PARENT. GIVE HER A BIG ROUND  
5 APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. CARLY. THEY ARE OF  
6 THE OPINION THAT THEIR WORDS ARE DOCUMENTED IN THEIR DEEDS,  
7 THEREFORE WE TURN THE MIC. OVER TO THE NEXT PRESENTER. GIVE  
8 THEM ANOTHER ROUND OF APPLAUSE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT IS MY  
11 PRIVILEGE AND HONOR TO WELCOME TO THE BOARD VICTORIA SWICK AND  
12 SANDRA STERNER. THESE TWO HAVE BEEN VERY BEST FRIENDS WHO HAVE  
13 BEEN FOSTERING TOGETHER FOR 19 YEARS. THEY ARE COMMITTED TO  
14 FOSTERING. THEY ACCEPT MEDICALLY FRAGILE CHILDREN,  
15 SPECIFICALLY BABIES WHO HAVE A LIFE-THREATENING ILLNESS OR  
16 HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO A LIFE-THREATENING ILLNESS. THEY LOVE  
17 DOING WHAT THEY DO AND HELP THESE CHILDREN WHO NEED TO REUNIFY  
18 WITH THEIR FAMILIES OR MOVE ON TO A PERMANENT HOME. THEY  
19 BECAME INTERESTED IN FOSTERING MANY YEARS AGO WHEN THEY WERE  
20 VOLUNTEERING AT AN A.I.D.S. HOME IN CULVER CITY. AND THEN THEY  
21 BECAME FOSTER PARENTS. THEY WORKED CLOSELY WITH OUR D.C.F.S.  
22 MEDICAL CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES SECTION AND WHO ARE THE  
23 PRIMARY SOCIAL WORKERS FOR THESE CHILDREN. MISS SWICK FONDLY  
24 RECALLS ONE BABY THEY FOSTERED WHO IS NOW 18 YEARS OLD, DOING  
25 VERY WELL LIVING IN ANOTHER STATE BUT HAS KEPT IN CONTACT WITH



1 THEM. THESE FOSTER FAMILY FOLKS ARE VERY, VERY DESERVING OF  
2 BEING HONORED HERE TODAY. WE THANK THEM. AND NATIONAL CARE  
3 FOSTER CARE MONTH, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY THANK THEM FOR WHAT  
4 THEY DO ON BEHALF OF THESE CHILDREN EACH AND EVERY DAY HERE IN  
5 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

6  
7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE TWO  
8 INDIVIDUALS FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHO HAVE DONE A WONDERFUL  
9 JOB AND THAT'S IRIS AND JORGE GOMEZ. THEY HAVE COMMITTED TO  
10 HELPING OUR FOSTER CHILDREN BY BEING SUCCESSFUL ADULTS AND  
11 ROLE MODELS, BY ENGAGING IN THEIR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AS WELL  
12 AS SUPPORTING THEM IN THE EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. BOTH  
13 TAKE PRIDE IN PROVIDING A LOVING AND NURTURING HOME. IN FACT,  
14 THEIR FOSTER YOUTH REFER TO THEM AS MOM AND DAD. WHEN IN THEIR  
15 PRESENCE, ONE WOULD NOT KNOW THEY WERE FOSTER PARENTS BECAUSE  
16 OF THE CARING INTERACTIONS BETWEEN THEM AND THEIR FOSTER YOUTH  
17 PLACED IN THEIR HOMES. WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR DOING WHAT IS  
18 SO NECESSARY. AND MOST PEOPLE WHO ARE WATCHING WHO WANT TO  
19 BECOME FOSTER PARENTS OR MENTORS, YOU CAN CALL THE HOTLINE  
20 888-811-1121 AND YOU CAN HELP THESE YOUNG CHILDREN BECOME THE  
21 PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS THAT WE NEED FOR TOMORROW. SO IRIS, JORGE,  
22 CONGRATULATIONS.

23  
24 **SUP. KUEHL:** PLEASE. ANOTHER BIG HAND FOR ALL OUR FOSTER  
25 PARENTS WE ARE HONORING TODAY. [APPLAUSE.] AND I'D LIKE TO ASK



1 MR. BROWNING BACK UP FOR SOME CLOSING REMARKS WHILE WE GATHER  
2 ALL THE FOLKS FOR A GROUP PICTURE. PHIL BROWNING, MAY HE HAVE  
3 A HAND, AS WELL. [APPLAUSE.]

4  
5 **PHILIP BROWNING:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I WANT TO SAY THANK  
6 YOU TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS FOR THIS  
7 DAY. FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH SHOULD BE FOSTER CARE  
8 AWARENESS YEAR. AS WAS SAID EARLIER, WE HAVE THOUSANDS OF  
9 CHILDREN WHO ARE IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS. THESE INDIVIDUALS  
10 BEHIND ME ARE JUST A FEW OF THE THOUSANDS OF FOSTER PARENTS  
11 AND RELATIVE CAREGIVERS WHO HAVE GIVEN UP THEIR LIVES TO SERVE  
12 THESE CHILDREN. SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUALS BEHIND ME HAVE  
13 HELPED TEACH A CHILD HOW TO TALK, HELPED TEACH A CHILD HOW TO  
14 WALK, HAVE HELPED A STUDENT LEARN MORE SO THAT THEY CAN  
15 GRADUATE. I WOULD INVITE ALL OF YOU TO A CELEBRATION HELD NEXT  
16 MONTH OVER AT THE WALT DISNEY CENTER WHERE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE  
17 175 FOSTER YOUTH WHO ARE GETTING SCHOLARSHIPS AND I THINK A  
18 COUPLE OF THEM ARE BEHIND ME, AT LEAST ONE, SCHOLARSHIPS TO  
19 AROUND THE COUNTRY. THESE ARE JUST GREAT EXAMPLES OF THE MANY  
20 THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN THAT D.C.F.S. SOCIAL WORKERS HELP TAKE  
21 CARE OF ALONG WITH FOSTER PARENTS AND RELATIVE CAREGIVERS  
22 EVERY DAY. SO ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND  
23 FAMILY SERVICES, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU, MOSTLY TO THE  
24 CAREGIVERS BEHIND ME BUT ALSO TO THE BOARD AND CERTAINLY THE



1 SOCIAL WORKERS WITHIN OUR DEPARTMENT. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AT THIS TIME I'D  
5 LIKE TO CALL TO THE STAGE OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, GAIL  
6 FARBER AND HER STAFF. THIS IS AN EXCITING TIME FOR OUR GREAT  
7 COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. FIRST, THIS WEEK HAPPENS TO BE  
8 NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK, RECOGNIZING THE ESSENTIAL NATURE  
9 OF PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES IN OUR EVERYDAY LIVES. THIS YEAR'S  
10 THEME IS "COMMUNITY BEGINS HERE." AND WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE  
11 PUBLIC WORKS FOR ALL THAT THEY DO FOR US AND OUR OWN COUNTY  
12 COMMUNITIES. AND I WOULD JUST ADD, THEY ARE TRULY ONE OF OUR  
13 FIRST RESPONDERS, ALONG WITH POLICE AND FIRE, TO EVERY TRAGEDY  
14 THAT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH. SECOND, 2015 ALSO HAPPENS TO BE THE  
15 COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS 30TH ANNIVERSARY. THE DEPARTMENT WAS  
16 ESTABLISHED BACK IN 1985 WITH A CONSOLIDATION OF THE COUNTY  
17 ROAD DEPARTMENT AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL  
18 DISTRICT. SO HAPPY BIRTHDAY. BUT OUR FOCUS THIS MORNING IS THE  
19 FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, WHICH THIS YEAR CELEBRATES ITS 100TH  
20 ANNIVERSARY. THE DISTRICT WAS FORMED BACK IN 1915 TO PROVIDE  
21 FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION FOR THE COUNTY AND HAS  
22 GROWN TO BECOME ONE OF THE BEST THE AND MOST EXTENSIVE FLOOD  
23 CONTROL SYSTEMS IN THE ENTIRE WORLD. OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS,  
24 THE DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO HOST A SERIES OF SPECIAL EVENTS  
25 MARKING THIS MILESTONE. THEY ARE ALSO PRODUCING A VERY





1 EXCITING VIDEO COMMEMORATING THE ANNIVERSARY, AND THIS FILM  
2 WILL TELL THE DISTRICT'S STORY FROM THE VERY BEGINNING THROUGH  
3 THE PRESENT DAY AND INTO THE FUTURE. AS PART OF THIS MORNING'S  
4 PRESENTATION, WE'RE GOING TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE TASTE OF THAT  
5 VIDEO WITH A SHORT TRAILER THAT WE'VE PUT TOGETHER. LET'S TAKE  
6 A LOOK. [MUSIC.]

7  
8 **SUP. KNABE:** AND NOW CAPTAIN AMERICA! [LAUGHTER.] WOW. YEAH,  
9 I'M SPEECHLESS. WHERE ARE THESE BODIES FLYING ALL OVER? BUT I  
10 WANT THE PRESENT THIS SCROLL ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THE  
11 BOARD AND THE 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY, TO  
12 GAIL FARBER, HEAD OF OUR DEPARTMENT AND TO WISH THE FLOOD  
13 CONTROL DISTRICT A HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY AND 100 YEARS MORE,  
14 BUT TO THANK THEM MOST IMPORTANTLY WHAT GOES ON EACH AND EVERY  
15 DAY THAT THE PEOPLE OF THIS GREAT COUNTY HAVE NO IDEA WHAT'S  
16 GOING ON BEHIND THE SCENES. THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
17 WORKS DOES IT, MAKES IT HAPPEN, AND WE APPRECIATE IT AS A  
18 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE RESIDENTS APPRECIATE IT, AS WELL.  
19 CONGRATULATIONS AND HAPPY BIRTHDAY. [APPLAUSE.] TIME TO JOIN  
20 CAPTAIN AMERICA. [LAUGHTER.] [APPLAUSE.] GAIL, IT'S ALL YOURS.

21  
22 **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S  
23 REALLY AN HONOR TO BE HERE. THANK YOU, TEAM, OUT IN THE  
24 AUDIENCE THERE. THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN  
25 OF PUBLIC WORKS. THANK YOU TO ALL OUR STAKEHOLDERS, OUR WATER



1 PARTNERS, OUR ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS, OUR REGULATORY PARTNERS.  
2 IT'S A MAJOR MILESTONE. BACK IN 1915 WHEN THE FLOOD CONTROL  
3 DISTRICT WAS FORMED UNDER THE FLOOD CONTROL ACT, WE'VE COME A  
4 LONG WAY. A LOT HAS CHANGED. BUT OUR COMMITMENT HAS NOT  
5 CHANGED, TO PROVIDE SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLIES, HEALTHY  
6 WATERSHEDS AND ALSO CONSERVE WATER AND PROMOTE HEALTHY  
7 COMMUNITIES. IT'S BEEN AN HONOR. WE DO MOVIES TOO, BESIDES  
8 PROTECTING OUR RICH LIVES OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURES AND  
9 CRITICAL PROGRAMS. IT'S EXCITING TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL PUBLIC  
10 WORKS WEEK THIS WEEK AS WELL, ACROSS THE NATION AS WE  
11 RECOGNIZE THE MEN AND WOMEN OF PUBLIC WORKS THAT DEDICATE  
12 THEIR LIVES EVERY SINGLE DAY IN COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE NATION,  
13 PROVIDING VITAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES  
14 TO KEEP EVERYBODY HEALTHY, SAFE AND OUR COMMUNITIES' QUALITY  
15 OF LIFE. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS  
16 RECOGNITION AND THIS SCROLL. AND BE SAFE. [APPLAUSE.]

17  
18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT'S A REAL PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE A  
19 COUNTRY MAN HERE TODAY WHO HAS SERVED HIS COUNTY AS A  
20 SUPERVISOR AND MANY, MANY YEARS AS A CONGRESSMAN IN THE UNITED  
21 STATES CONGRESS AND THAT'S CONGRESSMAN GEORGE RADONOVICH WHO  
22 HAD RECENTLY RETIRED AND NOW HAS A PROGRAM OF RESTORING  
23 CALIFORNIA, RESTORING FAMILIES. AND I'LL LET GEORGE SAY A  
24 COUPLE WORDS ON HIS PROJECT. GEORGE?



1 **GEORGE RADONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MIKE. RESTORE CALIFORNIA IS A  
2 STATEWIDE PROJECT WHOSE GOAL IS TO REDUCE FATHERLESSNESS,  
3 UNWED PREGNANCY AND DIVORCE BY 30 PERCENT IN 10 YEARS USING  
4 PRIVATE SECTOR INITIATIVES AND LOCAL SUPPORT, PERSUASION  
5 WITHIN EACH AND EVERY COMMUNITY. SO WHAT IT HOPES TO DO IS SET  
6 UP GROUPS IN EVERY COMMUNITY IN CALIFORNIA WITH A HIGH PROFILE  
7 GOAL OF REDUCING THOSE THINGS. SO PERHAPS THE FOSTER SYSTEM  
8 WON'T BE SO BURDENED BY AS MANY FOSTER CHILDREN MAYBE 10, 20  
9 YEARS FROM NOW. SO THOSE ARE THE GOALS OF RESTORE CALIFORNIA.  
10 [APPLAUSE.]

11  
12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE ONE OF OUR  
13 GREAT OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS, DR. TERRY NICHOLS, WHO IS  
14 SUPERINTENDENT OF THE DUARTE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT WHO IS  
15 RETIRING AFTER 35 YEARS OF SERVICE IN EDUCATION, 14 OF THOSE  
16 YEARS AS SUPERINTENDENT, WHICH HE HAD SEEN THE IMPLEMENTATION  
17 OF A K-12 S.T.E.M. PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF  
18 HOPE, WHICH WAS FUNDED THROUGH A MULTI-MILLION DOLLARS GRANT  
19 FROM THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH. PLACEMENT OF SMART  
20 BOARDS IN EVERY CLASSROOM THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT AND THE  
21 SUCCESSFUL ROLLOUT-- THEY SHOULD LISTEN ACROSS THE STREET  
22 ABOUT THIS-- A SUCCESSFUL ROLLOUT OF LAPTOPS ISSUED BY THE  
23 DISTRICT TO EVERY SECOND THROUGH 12TH GRADE STUDENT. HE WAS  
24 GIVEN HIS TIME AND TALENT AND ENERGY IN MAKING REALLY A  
25 DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF HIS STUDENTS, AND OUR COMMUNITIES



1 WHO HAVE BENEFITED FROM HIS INVOLVEMENT. AND HIS WIFE, WHO IS  
2 ALSO RETIRING FROM THE COVINA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT,  
3 IS HERE WITH HIM, AS WELL, CATHERINE. SO, TERRY,  
4 CONGRATULATIONS.

5

6 **TERRY NICHOLS:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH. AND I'D BE REMISS  
7 IF I DIDN'T SAY YOUR SUPPORT TO THE DUARTE UNIFIED SCHOOL  
8 DISTRICT AND TO THE COMMUNITY OF DUARTE AND THE COUNTY AREA  
9 THERE WE SERVE HAS MADE A GREAT DIFFERENCE IN WHAT WE DO IN  
10 OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT. AND FOR YOU TO TAKE THE TIME TO HONOR AN  
11 OLD COUNTRY BOY FROM ARKANSAS, I SURE APPRECIATE IT. ONE OF  
12 THE THINGS PEOPLE USED TO ASK ME, THEY WOULD SAY WHAT'S THE  
13 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ARKANSAS AND CALIFORNIA? I SAY WELL I SEE  
14 MORE PEOPLE DRIVING TO WORK THAN ANY COMMUNITY I'VE EVER LIVED  
15 IN. SO IT WAS ALWAYS INTERESTING FOR US. BUT TODAY WAS A  
16 MARVELOUS DAY TO BE RECOGNIZED, AS WELL. AS I LISTEN TO WHAT  
17 MAKES A DIFFERENCE WITH STUDENTS, AND I LOOK AT CHILDCARE, I  
18 LOOK AT JUMPSTART, I LOOK AT FOSTER CHILDREN, WHAT WE TALK  
19 ABOUT IN DUARTE WE CALL IT SHOULDER TAP GRADUATES. EVERY  
20 STUDENT WILL BE RECRUITED FOR THEIR PASSION. AND I ALWAYS SAY  
21 THIS. HOPE IS NOT A WOO, IT'S SOMETHING YOU CAN DO. AND YOU  
22 CAN SEE THAT FROM EACH OF THE INDIVIDUALS AND ADULTS IN THIS  
23 GROUP TODAY: YOU AND ONLY YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE WITH  
24 CHILDREN. SO I'VE GIVEN THAT AS MY PASSION FOR THE YEARS THAT  
25 I'VE SERVED. AND I'D ALSO BE REMISS FOR NOT IDENTIFYING ONCE



1 AGAIN MY BEST FRIEND AND MY LOVELY WIFE, DR. CATHERINE  
2 NICHOLS, WHO MADE MY JOB MUCH EASIER. SO I DO APPRECIATE THAT.  
3 THANK YOU AGAIN, MAYOR. THANK YOU AGAIN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
4 FOR ALL THAT YOU DO. AND WE DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AS WE GO  
5 ABOUT OUR BUSINESS. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE A GROUP OF OUTSTANDING  
8 STUDENTS FROM MARK KEPPEL HIGH SCHOOL ROBOTICS TEAM, WINNERS  
9 OF THE M.I.T. N.A.S.A.-SPONSORED ZERO ROBOTICS VIRTUAL  
10 CHAMPIONSHIP. THIS IS EQUIVALENT TO WINNING THE SUPER BOWL. SO  
11 THESE ARE OUR GOLD MEDAL WINNERS. THEY'RE COMING UP RIGHT NOW  
12 FROM MARK KEPPEL HIGH SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE.] THESE GROUP OF YOUNG  
13 MEN AND WOMEN WAS ONE OF 179 TEAMS IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE  
14 ROBOTICS COMPETITION AND ONLY TWO WORLDWIDE TO HAVE THEIR  
15 COMPUTER CODE UPLOADED ONTO THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION  
16 WHERE A SATELLITE SPHERE USED THEIR COMPUTER CODE TO TAKE  
17 VARIOUS PICTURES OF THE YOUTH. MARK KEPPEL.HIGH SCHOOL, THESE  
18 STUDENTS WERE ABLE TO HAVE PICTURES OF THE EARTH TAKEN. NOW,  
19 CAN YOU IMAGINE THAT? THESE KIDS ARE OUR FUTURE ENGINEERS AND  
20 SCIENTISTS. WITH US TODAY IS THEIR PRINCIPAL, JACINTH  
21 CISNEROS, SUPERINTENDENT LAURA TELLEZ-GAGLIANO, ASSISTANT  
22 SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES GARY GONZALEZ AND  
23 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ROBERT CHIN, JOANNE RUSSELL CHAVEZ AND  
24 ADELE ANDRE STADLER. THE MARK KEPPEL IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY,  
25 OVER 90 PERCENT OF THE KIDS ARE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL.



1 THEY DO AN INCREDIBLE JOB AND THEY SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED WHEN  
2 WE HAVE OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT WHERE THOSE NUMBERS ARE  
3 REVERSED. SO WE APPRECIATE THEIR LEADERSHIP. WE WANT TO GIVE  
4 THEM THESE PROCLAMATIONS. TAKE A PICTURE AND THEN WE CAN ALL  
5 SAY A FEW WORDS.

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7 **JACINTH CISNEROS:** ON BEHALF OF MARK KEPPEL HIGH SCHOOL, OUR  
8 PARENTS AND OUR COMMUNITY, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF  
9 SUPERVISORS FOR THIS RECOGNITION. I HAVE TO TELL YOU AS THE  
10 PRINCIPAL OF THIS GROUP OF STUDENTS, I FEEL TRULY BLESSED TO  
11 GET TO WORK WITH SUCH INCREDIBLE KIDS WITH SUCH HUGE MINDS.  
12 THEY'RE AN AMAZING GROUP. THEIR TEACHER/DIRECTOR MISS ELLEN  
13 HAIG HAS DONE A GOOD JOB WITH THEM, HAS BEEN THERE BESIDE THEM  
14 EACH FRIDAY AFTERNOON AS THEY WORKED THROUGH THIS PROJECT. MR.  
15 CHIN AND MR. SENIOR DOUGLAS CHIN, AS WELL, FOR ALL OF HIS HARD  
16 WORK. BUT THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO THE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS WANT TO  
19 SAY SOMETHING? WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, AND ALSO HILDA SOLIS  
22 WHERE MARK KEPPEL ACTUALLY RESIDES. AND SO MANY OF OUR  
23 STUDENTS ARE FROM MONTERREY PARK. SO IT'S A SPLIT. WE WANT TO  
24 THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR WONDERFUL ACCOLADES FOR OUR STUDENTS.  
25 WE'RE SO VERY, VERY PROUD OF THEM. SO WE THANK YOU SO MUCH, SO



1 MUCH ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE  
2 ALHAMBRA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

5  
6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I JUST WANT TO SAY  
7 CONGRATULATIONS TO MARK KEPPEL HIGH SCHOOL. I REMEMBER FONDLY  
8 REPRESENTING THEM IN THE STATE, SENATE, IN THE CONGRESS AND  
9 NOW AGAIN AS YOUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. BUT WE ALL SHARE IN  
10 YOUR SUCCESS. GO AZTECS! THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

11  
12 **SPEAKER:** AS SOME OF YOU KNOW, THE ZERO ROBOTICS COMPETITION  
13 STARTED OUT WITH 179 HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS FROM AROUND THE WORLD,  
14 INCLUDING 21 IN CALIFORNIA. AND THROUGH OUR HARD WORK,  
15 UNDERSTANDING THE RULES, THAT WAS A BIG ONE, REMEMBERING  
16 STRATEGY, AND A LITTLE BIT OF LUCK, WE WERE ABLE TO BATTLE  
17 THROUGH THE COMPETITION AND EMERGE AS VIRTUAL CHAMPIONS OF THE  
18 2014 HIGH SCHOOL TOURNAMENT. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MAYOR MIKE  
19 ANTONOVICH AS WELL AS OUR PRINCIPAL JACINTH CISNEROS AND OUR  
20 ADVISOR, MS. ELLEN HAIG FOR CHEERING US ON THROUGHOUT THE  
21 COMPETITION. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK OUR PARENTS,  
22 BECAUSE THAT'S MANDATORY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

23  
24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE THESE ARE ALL FRESHMEN AND  
25 SOPHOMORE STUDENTS. FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES.





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2 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO SAY, WE HEAR ABOUT SOME GREAT HIGH  
3 SCHOOLS. U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT CAME OUT WITH THE TOP-  
4 RANKED HIGH SCHOOLS, BUT I THINK THE HIGH SCHOOLS THAT ARE  
5 PART OF THE M.I.T. N.A.S.A. ZERO ROBOTICS COMPETITION, THEY  
6 THINK THEY'RE PRETTY GOOD, AND THEY'RE ACTUALLY SOME OF THE  
7 TOP HIGH SCHOOLS AROUND THE COUNTRY, CALIFORNIA. I WON'T NAME  
8 ANY NAMES. BUT ANYWAY, I THINK PEOPLE ARE TAKING NOTICE WITH  
9 THIS COMPETITION. THEY'RE GOING TO REMEMBER MARK KEPPEL HIGH  
10 SCHOOL. MARK KEPPEL WHO? YES, MARK KEPPEL HIGH SCHOOL, SO YES,  
11 GO AZTECS!

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE A PICTURE.  
14 WE CAN ALL TELL OUR GRANDCHILDREN THAT WE TOOK PICTURES WITH  
15 STUDEENTS WHO HAD THE PICTURES OF THE MOON TAKEN FROM THEIR  
16 PROJECT. OR PICTURES OF THE EARTH, I SHOULD SAY. IT'S A GREAT  
17 SCHOOL BECAUSE MY NEPHEW IS ALSO A GRADUATE OF THAT SCHOOL. SO  
18 NOW WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE MARK KEPPEL HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS  
19 BASKETBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL  
20 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE. FROM THE SCHOOL, WE HAVE COACH JOE  
21 KENIKUCHI, ASSISTANT COACH GINA TORRES, PRINCIPAL ONCE AGAIN  
22 JACINTH CISNEROS. SUPERINTENDENT LAURA TELLEZ-GAGLIANO, AND  
23 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION SERVICE, GARY GONZALEZ  
24 AND SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ONCE AGAIN ROBERT CHIN, JOANNE  
25 RUSSELL CHAVEZ AND ADELE NDRE SADLER. COACH? COACH JOE.



1 CONGRATULATIONS. GOOD JOB. GINA TORRES, SHE'S NOT HERE. DO YOU  
2 WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

3

4 **JOE KENIKUCHI:** I WANTED TO SAY HOW PROUD I AM OF THIS GROUP OF  
5 GIRLS. THEY FOUGHT AGAINST BIGGER, STRONGER GIRLS ALL YEAR.  
6 BUT I THINK ONE OF THE BIGGEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS IS THEIR  
7 AVERAGE G.P.A. AND IT'S A 3.65. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **JACINTH CISNEROS:** THE GIRLS VARSITY TEAM FROM MARK KEPPEL HIGH  
10 SCHOOL HAS BROUGHT A GREAT DEAL OF HONOR. THEY HAVE PLAYED  
11 WITH INTEGRITY THIS ENTIRE SEASON. AND I AM AGAIN VERY PROUD  
12 AND BLESSED TO GET TO WORK WITH THESE STUDENTS DAY IN AND DAY  
13 OUT. CONGRATULATIONS, LADY AZTECS. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **LAURA TELLEZ-GAGLIANO:** AS SUPERINTENDENT, I AM VERY, VERY  
16 PROUD OF OUR STUDENTS AND OUR STAFF. WE DO GREAT THINGS WITH  
17 OUR STUDENTS IN THE CLASSROOM, AND WE ALSO DO GREAT THINGS  
18 OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM. SO WE ARE PREPARING WELL-ROUNDED  
19 CITIZENS THAT WE HAVE SUCH A GREAT FUTURE COMING UP. SO WE'RE  
20 SO PROUD OF OUR AZTEC GIRLS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SPEAKER:** AS ONE OF THE CAPTAINS-- OH. AS ONE OF THE CAPTAINS  
23 FOR THIS VARSITY TEAM, I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR HAVING  
24 US. YOU KNOW, OUR JOURNEY WASN'T A SMOOTH ONE. GETTING TO THE  
25 REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AND EVEN BEFORE THAT, WE HAD LOST BOTH



1 OUR GAMES IN C.I.F. IT WAS JUST REALLY AWESOME TO MAKE IT INTO  
2 STATE AND TO MAKE IT AS FAR AS WE DID. JUST THANK YOU SO MUCH  
3 FOR RECOGNIZING US AND HONORING US HERE. SO THANK YOU.

4 [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I'M IMPRESSED BY THEIR ATHLETIC ABILITY BUT  
7 MORE BECAUSE OF THEIR BEAUTIFUL MINDS. THANK YOU AND  
8 CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

9  
10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW TO HAVE A GOOD ACADEMIC MIND AND  
11 BODY, WE NEED TO EAT MORE FRUITS AND VEGETABLES AND THAT'S  
12 WHAT WE HAVE RECOGNITION OF THE NATIONAL EAT MORE FRUITS AND  
13 VEGETABLES DAY. THIS SPOTLIGHTS THE FACT THAT ONLY 27 PERCENT  
14 OF U.S. ADULTS GET ENOUGH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES AND MORE THAN  
15 30 PERCENT OF OUR CHILDREN EAT LESS THAN ONE SERVING OF FRESH  
16 PRODUCE A DAY. AS A RESULT, MORE ADULTS ARE LIKELY TO BE OBESE  
17 THAN THE REST OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION. DOLE IS ONE OF THE  
18 WORLD'S LARGEST PROVIDERS OF FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES AND A  
19 RECOGNIZED LEADER IN NUTRITIONAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION. THEY  
20 ARE COMMITTED TO HELPING REVERSE THIS TREND BY LAUNCHING ITS  
21 2015 GET UP AND GROW TOUR WHICH WILL VISIT 480 SUPERMARKETS  
22 ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO TEACH FAMILIES ON HOW TO PREPARE  
23 HEALTHIER MEALS. SO WE WANT TO GIVE THIS PROCLAMATION TO DOLE  
24 AND WISH THEM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND GOD BLESS. [APPLAUSE.]



1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, AND FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,  
2 I APPRECIATE YOUR PROCLAMATION BRINGING ATTENTION TO THIS DAY  
3 FOR US. AS WE HEARD, DESPITE YEARS OF PROGRAMS THAT TELL  
4 PEOPLE HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO EAT FRUITS AND VEGETABLES, WE  
5 KNOW THAT AMERICANS STILL AREN'T EATING ENOUGH. IN FACT, AS WE  
6 HEARD, ONLY A THIRD IS EATING MORE THAN ONE SERVING PER DAY,  
7 WHICH REALLY IS NOT ENOUGH. SO AT DOLE, OUR PHILOSOPHY IS  
8 EATING MORE FRUITS AND VEGETABLES CAN HELP REVERSE THESE  
9 NEGATIVE HEALTH TRENDS. SO WE'RE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW WAYS  
10 TO PROMOTE EATING MORE PRODUCE. AN ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF  
11 EATING MORE FRUITS AND VEGETABLES ON THE WEEKEND OR THE DAYS  
12 JUST BEFORE MEMORIAL DAY I THINK IS A NATURAL SOLUTION BECAUSE  
13 THIS IS WHEN A LOT OF THE NEW FRUITS AND VEGETABLES COME INTO  
14 THE STORES. SO WE'RE EXCITED FOR THIS HOLIDAY AND TO CELEBRATE  
15 THIS EVERY YEAR AND WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
16 AGAIN FOR CREATING THIS HOLIDAY THAT WE CAN JUMP ON. SO THANK  
17 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

18  
19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE 8 WEEK OLD  
20 CHIHUAHUA MIX. HER NAME IS GIDGET AND SHE'S LOOKING FOR A  
21 HOME. THIS IS LITTLE GIDGET. HI, GIDGET. SO ANYBODY WHO WOULD  
22 LIKE TO ADOPT GADGET AT HOME, ON TELEVISION YOU CAN CALL 562-  
23 728-4610 AND LITTLE GIDGET WILL BRING YOU A LIFE OF LOVE AND  
24 HAPPINESS, AND JUST A LITTLE BIT OF PICKING UP AFTER. NOW,  
25 SHEILA, THIS IS YOUR SIZE. ROBERT LUCAS, 62-A. DR. GENEVIEVE



1 CLAVREUL 9, 11, 16, 19, 20, 21, 24, 60. MR. PREVEN, 1-P AND  
2 36, 12, 19, 24, 27, 32, 35, 36 RELATING TO 1-P, AND 50, 54,  
3 C.S.-2. MR. SACHS, 11, 32, 33, 35, 37, 39, 40 AND 60. GOOD  
4 MORNING, MR. LUCAS.

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6 **ROBERT LUCAS:** MY FAVORITE REPUBLICAN. YOU KNOW, WITH THIS  
7 SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN, YOU KNOW I'M INVOLVED IN A LOT OF  
8 THE NONPROFITS AND SOME OF THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND BEHAVIORAL  
9 ISSUES BECAUSE I CAN TELL YOU FROM A LOT OF INTERACTION AND A  
10 LOT OF TIME SPENT DEALING WITH ADULTS THAT HAVE BEEN  
11 VICTIMIZED WITH THIS THAT HAVE NEVER TOLD A SOUL, SO IT'S NOT  
12 ONLY THE CHILDREN THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE. THESE ARE  
13 BURDENS THAT PEOPLE CARRY THEIR WHOLE LIVES. SOME NEVER GET  
14 OVER THEM. I'VE EXPERIENCED SUCH HEARTACHE AND MISERY THROUGH  
15 THESE KIDS' VICTIMIZATION ONCE THEY'RE ADULTS AND NOT  
16 REALIZING JUST HOW IT'S INFLUENCED THEIR LIVES. SO PLEASE,  
17 WHEN WE SPEAK ABOUT THESE SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN, THIS  
18 HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR QUITE SOME TIME AND IT'S CARRIED INTO A  
19 LOT OF ADULTS. IF YOU INTERACT ON A VERY CARING LEVEL WITH A  
20 LOT OF PEOPLE, SOMETIMES YOU HOLD AT ARM'S LENGTH, SOMETIMES  
21 YOU JUDGE BY WHAT THEY DO OR HOW THEY SPEAK, I CAN TELL YOU  
22 FROM PERSONAL INTERACTION AND MY OWN EXPERIENCE THERE'S A LOT  
23 OF BURDENS THAT PEOPLE CARRY. SO PLEASE BROADEN THIS TO NOT  
24 JUST CHILDREN, BUT THE OLDER CHILDREN THAT HAVE NOT BEEN  
25 ALLOWED TO GROW UP. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DR. CLAVREUL? THEN MR. PREVEN.

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHE ASKED ME TO GO. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY  
5 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3, MR. FLEXIBILITY. I WANTED TO SAY  
6 ITEM NO. 12 IS AN ITEM THAT IS WORRISOME FOR ME BECAUSE DURING  
7 THE CAMPAIGN IT CAME OUT THAT THERE WERE 34,000 CHILDREN IN  
8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO NEEDED EARLY EDUCATION. AND THIS ITEM  
9 LOOKED AT 163 ZIP CODES TO SEE HOW THAT'S GOING. AND, IN FACT,  
10 THE NEED IS HAS INCREASED SINCE 2013 IN 20 ZIP CODES. SO THAT  
11 SHOWS ME A MAP THAT'S SPREADING OF FOLKS WHO NEED STUFF. THIS  
12 IS 0-12. IT'S WORRISOME. ITEM 1-P IS, SUPERVISOR KNABE IS  
13 DOING HIS BEST FOR THE COUNTY, I SUPPOSE, BUT IT SEEMS THAT HE  
14 PICKED UP A NORWALK DRIVING RANGE FOR 3-1/2 MILLION DOLLARS  
15 GIVEN ALL OUR NEEDS AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO SPIN IT OFF TO A  
16 PRIVATE OPERATOR. MR. SALADINO, WHO IS IN CONFERENCE WITH MISS  
17 HAMAI, IS GOING TO BE HELPING, HOPEFULLY, THE COUNTY SHAKE  
18 LOOSE THE RECORDS FROM THAT CONTRACTOR THAT WE USE ALL THE  
19 TIME, AMERICAN GOLF, SO THAT WE CAN BE ABSOLUTELY SURE ABOUT  
20 GOING FORWARD, WE'VE RAISED RATES. I'M VERY WORRIED ABOUT THE  
21 VARIOUS ELEMENTS IN THE GOLF OPERATION. THERE'S ANOTHER ITEM,  
22 ITEM 35, WHICH IS JUST A STRAIGHT MILLION BUCKS TO FOUR  
23 AMERICAN GOLF AND ONE AMERICAN GOLF SET OF GUYS TO FIX THINGS  
24 UP. ITEM 32, SIR, PLEASE, C.B.S. INC. IS A LARGE OPERATION.  
25 PUBLIC HEALTH IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. S.T.D.S AND H.I.V. IS



1 THE AWARENESS PIECE IN THIS AGREEMENT, WHICH IS A COUPLE  
2 MILLION BUCKS BUT WHAT IF WE BROKE IT DOWN INTO \$100,000 SIZE  
3 PIECES AND GAVE IT TO SMALLER BUSINESSES THAT COULD HELP GET  
4 THAT MESSAGE OUT, RATHER THAN SUMNER REDSTONE'S GROUP WHO ARE  
5 DOING QUITE FINE. C.S.-2, SIR, I HAVE TO ASK YOU, I ALWAYS DO,  
6 A.C.L.U. VERSUS THE COUNTY SEAL, COME ON. LET'S JUST AGREE. WE  
7 ALREADY FOUGHT THIS 10 YEARS AGO. EVERYBODY AGREES THAT IT IS  
8 AN INTERESTING ISSUE, BUT WE NEED TO NOT SPEND LEGAL DOLLARS  
9 FIGHTING THAT KIND OF AN EVENT. THAT'S C.S.-2. ITEM 50 IS THE  
10 SPONSORSHIP OF OUR COUNTY LIFEGUARD VEHICLES. WE USED TO DO  
11 BUSINESS WITH FORD. NOW WE ARE DOING BUSINESS WITH TOYOTA. SO  
12 KUDOS TO THE TUNDRA THAT PULLED THE SPACE SHUTTLE IN.  
13 EVERYBODY LOVES THE TOYOTA. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THOUGH  
14 THAT THE NUMBERS ARE COOL. IT LOOKS LIKE A BETTER DEAL,  
15 FRANKLY, THAN THE DEAL WE HAD BEFORE. BUT WHAT'S DIFFERENT IS,  
16 IT WAS NEGOTIATED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AS OPPOSED TO BEACHES  
17 AND HARBORS. I THINK THAT'S IN CONNECTION WITH THE LIFEGUARDS  
18 MIGRATING OVER THANKS TO SUPERVISOR KNABE. ITEM NO. 51 IS  
19 THANKS TO SUPERVISOR KNABE A \$200,000 MOTOROLA LITTLE UPCHARGE  
20 TO HELP WITH THE MAINTENANCE ON SOME FADING WALKIE-TALKIES OR  
21 WHATEVER. I GOT TO TELL YOU, WHEN YOU'RE A SOLE SOURCE GUY  
22 LIKE MOTOROLA, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO EAT THOSE THINGS. THEY ARE  
23 GOING TO COME BACK AND TAKE ANOTHER BIG CONTRACT? I DON'T  
24 KNOW. I'M NOT CRYING FOR THOSE GUYS. ITEM NO. 54 IS THE  
25 HEART'S IN THE RIGHT PLACE, PERHAPS, BUT BRINGING BACK A 33-





1 YEAR VETERAN OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHO HAS BEEN WORKING  
2 IN BURBANK? I DON'T KNOW. IT SENDS A MESSAGE BECAUSE WE WERE  
3 ALL TOLD LETTING THE RETIREES GO WAS ONE WAY OF KIND OF  
4 GETTING RID OF THE OLD SCHOOL AND BRINGING BACK A NEW FEELING.  
5 IT'S A LITTLE UPSETTING. FINALLY ITEM 13 IS WHERE JAMISON, THE  
6 BIG REAL ESTATE OWNER--

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. GENEVIEVE?

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10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
11 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YES, I HAD NUMEROUS ITEMS BUT I'M  
12 GOING TO FOCUS ON ONLY A COUPLE OF THEM. WHEN YOU THINK THAT  
13 TODAY THERE IS 23 ITEMS JUST ON HEALTH AND INFORMATION  
14 TECHNOLOGY, IT'S NO WAY FOR AN EDUCATED PERSON CAN MAKE ANY  
15 KIND OF STATEMENT ON THE PROBLEMS. ON ITEM NO. 9, I AM TOTALLY  
16 SUPPORTIVE OF THAT ITEM. THE TOXICOLOGY LAB SHOULD GO TO  
17 PUBLIC HEALTH. AND A FEW WEEKS AGO THEY READ A NOTE THAT  
18 WONDERFUL DR. KATZ HAD DECIDED THAT TOXICOLOGY LAB SHOULD BE  
19 TRANSFERRED IMMEDIATELY TO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND NONE OF  
20 YOU CAUGHT THAT UP. IT'S UNBELIEVABLE THAT SOMEBODY CAN DO  
21 THAT, TRANSFER ANOTHER DEPARTMENT, NEVER COME BACK TO YOU WHO  
22 HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE THAT CHANGE. SO I APPLAUD YOU,  
23 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, TO DO THE RIGHT MOVE TO BRING IT  
24 LEGALLY TO BE CHANGED AND TO GO TO PUBLIC HEALTH BECAUSE  
25 TOXICOLOGY LAB SHOULD BE, AND ALL THE REPORTS THAT HAVE BEEN



1 DONE ON THAT ISSUE CLAIM IT SHOULD GO TO PUBLIC HEALTH. SO  
2 LET'S DO THE RIGHT THING FOR EACH OTHER, OKAY? YOU KNOW, I'VE  
3 BEEN SUPER UPSET ABOUT THAT WONDERFUL INTEGRATION AGENCY  
4 PROJECT, WHICH IS A FARCE. I THINK THEY REALLY THINK PEOPLE,  
5 THE PUBLIC, IS TOTALLY IGNORANT. AND WE SHOULD NOT LET IT  
6 HAPPEN. THE ONE TIME I WANT PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THIS COUNTY TO  
7 GET UP AND SHOUT AND FIGHT: WE CANNOT ACCEPT THAT INTEGRATION  
8 OF AGENCIES. FIRST OF ALL, IT HAS BEEN DONE UNDER FALSE  
9 PRETENSE. THEY CANNOT EVEN GET THE DATE RIGHT. YOU KNOW, THEY  
10 STARTED THEY SAID THE DECISION WAS DONE TUESDAY THE 12TH OF  
11 JANUARY. NO, IT'S TUESDAY THE 13TH OF JANUARY. I MEAN IF YOU  
12 CANNOT EVEN GET THE DATE RIGHT, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO WORK TO  
13 PUT THREE DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER? WITH 30,000 EMPLOYEES, 1/3 OF  
14 THE WORKFORCE IN THIS COUNTY AND \$7 BILLION. IT'S TIME TO  
15 STOP. AND I THINK TO HAVE, AGAIN, TO MAKE SOME MEETINGS ONLY  
16 AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY IS ILLEGAL. THERE'S NOTHING  
17 THAT MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY ARE PRIVY THAT THE PUBLIC IS NOT.  
18 SO I WOULD ASK ALL OF YOU TO GO TO ANY COUNTY OBSERVER.COM.  
19 THIS IS A WEBSITE THAT WILL BE USED TO GET THE PUBLIC TO FIGHT  
20 BACK BECAUSE WE ARE CALLED-- LIKE I SAID, I THINK THEY SHOULD  
21 GO TO LANCASTER BECAUSE IT WAS SUCH A LONG DRIVE. BUT I'M  
22 SORRY, DR. GHALY'S PAY, I'M SURE SHE PROBABLY HAVE A COUNTY  
23 CAR. THANK YOU.  
24



1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS AND I  
2   DID HOLD SEVERAL ITEMS BUT IT REALLY BOILS DOWN TO A FEW  
3   DIFFERENT THINGS. ITEM NO. 2 MORE OR LESS IS KIND OF LIKE THAT  
4   CARD GAME, THREE-CARD MONTE OR THE PEA UNDER THE CUP ROUTINE  
5   WHERE YOU'RE TRANSFERRING FUNDS BACK AND FORTH. BUT I WAS JUST  
6   INTERESTED, THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT'S TRANSPORTATION  
7   IMPROVEMENT ROAD FUND. DOES EACH DISTRICT HAVE AN IMPROVEMENT  
8   ROAD FUND? WHERE IS THAT FUNDED FROM? WHERE DOES THAT COME  
9   FROM? BECAUSE YOU HAVE ALL THESE TRANSPORTATION FUNDS YOU GET  
10   FROM THE STATE AND METRO AND ALL THESE OTHER HALF CENT SALES  
11   TAX, WHERE EXACTLY DOES THE FUNDING COME FROM THAT? I WAS ALSO  
12   INTERESTED TO KNOW, IT ACTUALLY REFERS TO A NEW LIBRARY AND  
13   SENIOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND THEN IT GOES ON TO MENTION  
14   IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COMMUNITY ROOM AND IMPROVEMENTS OF THE  
15   LIBRARY. WELL IF IT'S A NEW LIBRARY, WHAT IMPROVEMENTS ARE YOU  
16   GOING TO MAKE? AND THE COMMUNITY ROOM ISN'T MENTIONED IN THIS  
17   ITEM FOR ANY KIND OF FUNDING. IT MENTIONS LIBRARY PORTION OF  
18   THE PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED PURSUANT TO PLANS APPROVED BY THE  
19   PUBLIC LIBRARY. SO WHO'S DOING THE COMMUNITY ROOM? AND AS FAR  
20   AS THE PUBLIC HOUSING PORTION, THAT'S NOT EVEN IN HERE, NO  
21   DISCUSSION ABOUT IT. SO WHAT IS THAT ABOUT? HOW MANY PUBLIC  
22   HOUSING, LOW INCOME? IT SAID LOW INCOME SENIOR HOUSING. IS IT  
23   ACCESSIBLE TO WHEELCHAIRS? IS IT MILITARY VETERANS AVAILABLE?  
24   ALL THESE DIFFERENT CATEGORIES YOU HAPPENED TO MENTION. AND  
25   THEN ITEM NO. 11 COMES UP. IT'S A RECLASSIFICATION OF



1 POSITIONS IN THE COUNTY. ANOTHER STUDY. THE MENTAL HEALTH  
2 CLINICAL MANAGER STUDY AND THE AMBULATORY CARE NETWORK STUDY,  
3 WHO AUTHORIZES THEM? WHO OKAYS THESE? AND IF YOU HAVE ANY KIND  
4 OF MILITARY BACKGROUND, YOU MIGHT KNOW, YOU KNOW THERE IS A  
5 CATEGORY OF SERGEANT. BUT THEN YOU HAVE MASTER SERGEANT. YOU  
6 HAVE TECH SERGEANT. YOU HAVE FIRST SERGEANT. ALL THOSE  
7 CLASSIFICATIONS MEAN MORE MONEY. AND WHEN YOU RECLASSIFY IN  
8 THE COUNTY, IT'S NOT A PAY RAISE, BUT IT'S MORE MONEY. AND SO  
9 THEY DON'T EXPLAIN THAT AND THESE POSITIONS AND NUMBERS THAT  
10 GO BACK AND FORTH, IF YOU'RE THINKING IN TERMS OF THE  
11 MILITARY, THERE'S NOT ONE OF 10 POSITIONS THAT ARE SERVED.  
12 THERE COULD BE 100,000. WELL IF YOU HAVE 100,000 WORKERS IN  
13 THE COUNTY, YOU COULD HAVE 10 OR 15 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY  
14 WORKFORCE BEING RECLASSIFIED. THEY'RE NOT GETTING A PAY RAISE.  
15 THEY'RE JUST GETTING MORE MONEY. AND WHERE IS IT COMING FROM?  
16 WELL, WE ARE SO FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE, WE ONLY HAVE A \$36  
17 BILLION WHAT WAS THAT DEBT YOU TALKED ABOUT A COUPLE OF WEEKS  
18 AGO, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? UNFUNDED MANDATE, 36 BILLION. BUT  
19 WE GOT MONEY FOR RECLASSIFICATIONS. HOW DOES THAT WORK OUT?  
20 ITEM 33 AND 32 REFER TO A COUPLE OF INCREASES IN CONTRACTS. 32  
21 IS A 35 PERCENT INCREASE ABOVE AND BELOW THE MEDIAN SERVICES.  
22 33 IS FOR BLACK INFANT CARE. 10 PERCENT INCREASE.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.



1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANKS FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR ANSWERS. SAME WE  
2   ALWAYS GET EVERY WEEK HERE.

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4   **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** MR. MAYOR WE HAVE THE  
5   FOLLOWING ITEMS IN FRONT OF YOU, ITEM NO. 9, 11, 12, 16, 19,  
6   ON ITEM 20, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTES NO, ITEM 21, 24, 27,  
7   ITEM 32, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTES NO, 33, 55, 36, ON 36,  
8   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINS FROM THIS ITEM, 37, 39, 40,  
9   50, 54, 60 AND 62-A.

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11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED  
12   BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14   **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** AND IF I COULD ALSO GET A  
15   SEPARATE VOTE ON 1-P.

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17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 1-P, MOTION BY KNABE. SECOND IT.  
18   WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20   **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** THANK YOU.

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22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ITEM NO. 1-D AND 2? SUPERVISOR KNABE,  
23   YOU HELD 1-D AND 2. THEY ARE CONNECTED.

24



1   **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, LET ME GET MY NOTES HERE. MY  
2   PRIMARY QUESTION TO SEAN, IT'S A VERY COMPLICATED DEAL AND  
3   THERE'S A LOT OF MOVING PARTS IN THIS PIECE. AND SO AS AN  
4   EXAMPLE, IF THE H.U.D. FUNDING DOESN'T COME THROUGH OR THE  
5   DEVELOPER IS UNABLE TO GET A LOAN FOR THAT LAST PIECE, WHAT  
6   HAPPENS TO THE PROJECT? IS THERE ANY-- I'M BEING TOLD THERE'S  
7   NO LIABILITY FOR THE COUNTY. AND THAT'S GOOD. BUT WHAT IF SOME  
8   OF THESE PIECES DON'T COME INTO PLAY? WHAT HAPPENS?

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10   **SEAN ROGAN:** SURE. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. GOOD MORNING,  
11   CHAIRMAN AND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO IT IS A  
12   COMPLICATED PROJECT. IT'S A \$38 MILLION AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
13   DEVELOPMENT WITH APPROXIMATELY 8,000 SQUARE FOOT LIBRARY. ONE  
14   OF THE MAIN FUNDING SOURCES OF THIS DEVELOPMENT IS GOING TO BE  
15   \$20 MILLION IN THE FEDERAL TAX CREDITS, WHICH IS TYPICAL FOR  
16   THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMPONENT.

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18   **SUP. KNABE:** AND THOSE ARE GUARANTEED?

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20   **SEAN ROGAN:** THEY ARE NOT GUARANTEED. YOU THEN HAVE ON TOP OF  
21   THAT SECOND DISTRICT FUNDS AS WELL AS FEDERAL E.D.I. LOAN AND  
22   GRANTS ALONG WITH DEBT THAT THE DEVELOPER WILL BE PLACING ON  
23   THE PROJECT. SO, YES, IT'S VERY COMPLICATED. IT'S A \$38  
24   MILLION PROJECT. TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION IN TERMS OF  
25   LIABILITY, WHAT THIS ACTION DOES TODAY IS IT COMMITS FUNDS SO



1 THAT THIS DEVELOPER WILL BE ABLE TO APPLY FOR TAX CREDITS IN  
2 THE JULY ROUND AND IF, THEN, SUCCESSFUL, WE WOULD KNOW IN  
3 APPROXIMATELY SEPTEMBER AS TO THAT AWARD. WE WOULD THEN MOVE  
4 FORWARD WITH OUR COMMITMENT. IN TERMS OF WHEN THE LAND GETS  
5 TRANSFERRED, THAT LAND WOULD NOT TRANSFER UNTIL THE  
6 COMMITMENTS HAVE ALL BEEN MADE AND WE REACHED CONSTRUCTION  
7 LENDING WITH THE DEVELOPER. SO WITH ALL THAT BEING SAID, AT  
8 THIS POINT IN TIME WE ARE NOT COMMITTING THE COUNTY TO ANY OF  
9 THESE DOLLARS UNTIL AND UNLESS THE DEVELOPER IS SUCCESSFUL IN  
10 GETTING THE TAX CREDITS.

11  
12 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WITH THE TAX CREDITS NOT BEING GUARANTEED, ALL  
13 THE OTHER PIECES HAVE TO COME INTO PLAY.

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15 **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

16  
17 **SUP. KNABE:** AND IF THE H.U.D. PIECE DOESN'T COME THROUGH. THIS  
18 IS A VERY GOOD PROJECT BUT I'M CONCERNED WITH SO MANY MOVING  
19 PARTS. IF ONE PIECE DOESN'T COME IN, IS THERE ANYTHING AT THE  
20 END OF THE DAY-- COUNTY COUNSEL? ANYTHING AT THE END OF THE  
21 DAY THAT PUTS US IN A POSITION THAT GENERAL FUND DOLLARS ARE  
22 GOING TO HAVE TO BACK UP SOME OF THESE MOVING PIECES.

23  
24 **MARK SALADINO, COUNTY COUNSEL:** NO, SIR. IF THE FEDERAL LOANS  
25 DON'T COME THROUGH, THEN WE HAVE NO COMMITMENT TO GO FORWARD.





1 AND MR. ROGAN HAS ALREADY EXPLAINED TO YOU HOW THE TAX CREDITS  
2 WORK.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** IF THEY COME THROUGH, THERE'S NO PROJECT, IS THAT  
5 CORRECT, MARK?

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ONCE AGAIN, SUPERVISOR KNABE? ONCE AGAIN  
8 YOUR REQUEST?

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** LET'S SAY THE TAX CREDITS DON'T COME THROUGH THEN  
11 THERE'S NO-- WE HAVE NO LIABILITY.

12

13 **MARK SALADINO:** THERE'S FEDERAL LOANS WHICH WE EXPECT AND ALSO  
14 TAX CREDITS INVOLVED.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** IF ONE OF THE PIECES DON'T COME THROUGH THERE IS  
17 NO LIABILITY, NUMBER ONE, NUMBER TWO THERE'S PROBABLY NOT A  
18 PROJECT. IS THAT CORRECT?

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THE FINANCING IS  
21 THE LINCHPIN FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT. IF ANY PIECE OF IT  
22 CRATERS, THEN YOU HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT PIECE. AND I DON'T  
25 HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT. I JUST DON'T WANT THE LINCHPIN, IF



1 THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN, THEN IT'S AN APPROVED PROJECT THAT WE  
2 HAVE TO FUND FROM COUNTY FUNDS.

3

4 **SEAN ROGAN:** THE ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION, SUPERVISOR, IS THERE  
5 IS NO COMMITMENT TO ADD ADDITIONAL DOLLARS TO THIS PROJECT IF  
6 THESE VARIOUS SOURCES OF FUNDS DO NOT COME THROUGH.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? YOU JUST HAVE THE TO  
9 REEVALUATE THE WHOLE PROJECT? YOU HAVE TO PUT COUNTY DOLLARS  
10 IN? IT WOULD COME BACK?

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12 **SEAN ROGAN:** IF COUNTY DOLLARS WERE REQUIRED, THEN, YES, THE  
13 PROJECT WOULD HAVE TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IF I MAY, WHAT'S BEFORE US IS A PROJECT  
16 THAT I THINK ALL OF US SEE THE WORTH IN OR WHAT THE WORTH OF  
17 THIS PROJECT IS. 104 UNITS OF AFFORDABLE SENIOR HOUSING  
18 PARTICULARLY RELEVANT AGAINST THE BACKDROP OF THE HOMELESS  
19 CRISIS WITH WHICH WE ARE CONTENDING. AND IT'S WORTH NOTING  
20 THAT 22 OF THOSE UNITS WILL BE FOR FREQUENT D.H.S. USERS. SO  
21 WE'RE MAKING THE CONNECTION BETWEEN HEALTH AND HOUSING.  
22 LITERACY MATTERS IN THIS REGARD. 8,000 SQUARE FOOT LIBRARY ON  
23 THE GROUND FLOOR. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THE REPLACEMENT OF  
24 THE FACILITY THAT'S BEEN THERE IN RELATIVE DISREPAIR, LONG  
25 OVERDUE, AND A COMMUNITY ROOM THAT'S AN ASSET AND A BENEFIT TO



1 THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. SO AS IT IS PRESENTED IN TERMS OF ITS  
2 FINANCING, AS I SAID EARLIER, THIS IS A PUBLIC/PRIVATE  
3 PARTNERSHIP. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT ANY PIECE COMES UNGLUED,  
4 BECOMES UNGLUED, YOU HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD TO  
5 WORK OUT THE FINANCING OF IT. THE PRIVATE SECTOR WILL NEED TO  
6 RE-VISIT ITS COMMITMENT. THE PUBLIC SECTOR WILL HAVE TO RE-  
7 VISIT ITS COMMITMENT. BUT NOTHING HERE OBLIGES US TO DO  
8 ANYTHING MORE THAN WHAT WE SEE. SO IF IT DOESN'T PAN OUT, THEN  
9 IT'S CERTAINLY APPROPRIATE TO RE-PRESENT THE PROPOSAL FOR HOW  
10 WE GET IT DONE. AND I THINK THAT IS HARDLY ANYTHING VERY  
11 DIFFERENT FROM WHAT HAS HAPPENED WITH ALL OF OUR PROJECTS WHEN  
12 WE HAVE TO CHANGE THEM, THE FUNDING AT THIS POINT IN TIME JUST  
13 UNDER \$40 MILLION, WE DELINEATE WHAT THE SOURCES ARE FROM  
14 H.U.D. TO THE N.O.F.A. THAT WE PUT OUT FOR THIS PURPOSE, THE  
15 SECOND DISTRICT CAPITAL FUND WHICH IS THE MOST SUBSTANTIAL  
16 PORTION OF THE CONTRIBUTION AT THIS POINT IN TIME. SO I THINK  
17 FULL TRANSPARENCY HERE, THE APPROPRIATE QUESTIONS ARE BEING  
18 RAISED IF THERE IS AN ISSUE THAT THIS DOESN'T COME THROUGH IN  
19 TERMS OF TAX CREDITS. DO WE HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING  
20 BOARD? AND THE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION IS YES, AS WOULD BE THE  
21 CASE WITH ANY PROJECT. MR. MAYOR?

22  
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MR. SACHS?



1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. I'M SORRY. ANY PROJECTED START  
2   DATE FOR THIS PROJECT? AND I'M WONDERING: THIS PROJECT LOCATED  
3   AT 118TH STREET, IS THAT BY THE WILLOWBROOK BLUE LINE STATION?  
4   BECAUSE THERE WAS A PLOT OF LAND THERE WHEN I USED TO TAKE THE  
5   BLUE LINE BUT THE GRAFFITI ON THAT RAIL LINE IS JUST SO  
6   OBNOXIOUS YOU HAVE TO STOP RIDING IT. BUT THERE WAS A PLOT OF  
7   LAND. SUPERVISOR BRADWORTH BURKE HAD A SIGN ON IT 2008 FOR THE  
8   DEVELOPMENT OF THAT PROJECT. NOW IT'S 2015, STILL NO START  
9   DATE. THERE WAS JUST A STORY IN THE L.A. TIMES ABOUT SOME  
10   HOUSING THAT WAS DONE IN SAN PEDRO AT THE OLD AIR FORCE NAVAL  
11   BASE. AND THEY JUST PUT SOME VETERANS THERE. AND THEY WERE ALL  
12   THESE WONDERFUL POLITICIANS, I BELIEVE THE MAYOR WAS THERE  
13   AND, I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS WAS THERE AND  
14   THE CITY COUNCILMAN WAS THERE. AND THEY WERE JUST PATTING  
15   THEMSELVES ON THE BACK. THE FASCINATING PART WAS: 15 YEARS FOR  
16   THE PROJECT TO GET COMPLETED. SO 2008, 15 YEARS, 2023? DO WE  
17   LOOK FOR A COMPLETION DATE IN 2023? IN THE PROCESS OF BEING  
18   OPEN AND TRANSPARENT. NOW, SOMEBODY MENTIONED THE HOMELESS  
19   PROJECT, THE HOMELESSNESS SITUATION. WHAT ABOUT SECTION 8  
20   HOUSING? THIS IS AFFORDABLE SENIOR HOUSING. WHO GETS FIRST  
21   DIBS? HOMELESS OR SECTION 8 PEOPLE? BECAUSE YOU HAVE A 38,000-  
22   PERSON LONG WAITING LIST FOR SECTION 8. SO WHO GETS FIRST  
23   DIBS, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? AND HOW IS THAT ACCOUNTABLE?  
24   HOW IS THAT DONE? LIKE THE LOTTERY FOR THE LAKERS, THEY PUT



1 THE BALLS IN THE CAGE AND THEY BLOW THEM OUT AND YOUR NUMBER  
2 SHOWS UP, YOU'RE A WINNER? YOU HAVEN'T HEARD THAT?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN?

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6 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT  
7 FROM DISTRICT 3. I THOUGHT I HEARD MR. ROGAN SAY THIS IS A \$38  
8 MILLION PROJECT. BUT I WASN'T-- IS THAT AN ACCURATE STATEMENT?  
9 IT IS. FIRST OF ALL, I APPLAUD THE SUPERVISOR FROM THE SECOND  
10 DISTRICT FROM TRYING TO GRAPPLE WITH THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
11 PROBLEM RIGHT UP FRONT. THAT'S A CRITICALLY IMPORTANT PIECE.  
12 AND OBVIOUSLY I THINK WE ALL LOVE LIBRARIES. IS THOMAS SAFFRON  
13 AND ASSOCIATES, I KNOW THEY'RE WELL KNOWN PLAYERS FOR OVER 40  
14 YEARS, ARE THEY FOR PROFIT OR NOT-FOR-PROFIT OPERATION, OUT OF  
15 CURIOSITY? I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER, BUT THAT WOULD BE OF NOTE.  
16 BUT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION DOES AN OUTSTANDING  
17 JOB. I'VE BEEN WONDERING WHAT IT IS THEY DO AN OUTSTANDING JOB  
18 DOING. AND I GUESS COBBLING TOGETHER THESE DIFFICULT THINGS IS  
19 AN EXAMPLE, AND THEY DO CHARGE AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE. SO I  
20 WOULD JUST ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO BIRD DOG CAREFULLY  
21 AS WE MOVE FORWARD WHAT SPECIFICALLY IS INVOLVED IN THOSE FEES  
22 AND IF THAT'S ON WHAT PORTION OF THE BUDGET? BECAUSE THIS IS  
23 BEING KIND OF BIFURCATED INTO THE LIBRARY PIECE AND THE  
24 ADJACENT HOUSING PIECE. SO I WOULD JUST LOOK CLOSELY BECAUSE  
25 WE'VE HAD WIDE DISCREPANCIES AND, FRANKLY, IN THE DAYS OF



1 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WHO ARE NOT HERE  
2 TODAY, WE WERE NEGOTIATING WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
3 COMMISSION ABOUT THOSE PIECES. AND I THINK THAT IS IMPORTANT.  
4 AND WITH THAT, I WOULD SAY GOOD LUCK. I ALSO WORRY ABOUT  
5 LIABILITY ON THESE THINGS. BUT I THINK WE KNOW THAT THE SECOND  
6 DISTRICT WILL BE THERE IF THERE'S ANY SHORTFALL TO PICK THAT  
7 PIECE UP. SO THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MAYOR, IF I MAY, I APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S  
10 CONSIDERATION OF THIS NOTEWORTHY PROJECT, MIXED USE PROJECT, A  
11 BLIGHT-FIGHTING PROJECT. THE ROLE THAT WE HAVE IS TO IMPROVE  
12 THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES. TO DO IT  
13 IMAGINATIVELY AND TO DO IT PRUDENTLY. I TRUST THAT THE  
14 QUESTIONS ARE SATISFACTORILY ANSWERED IN TERMS OF HOW THIS IS  
15 CURRENTLY STRUCTURED. ANYTHING THAT CHANGES WILL HAVE TO BE  
16 ADDRESSED APPROPRIATELY. AND I BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD NEED TO  
17 COME BACK TO THE BOARD TO DO SO. MAY I TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
18 THANK THE RESPECTIVE TEAM MEMBERS LED BY THE COMMUNITY  
19 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND THE QUALITY OF  
20 THAT WORK, THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FOR ITS CONTRIBUTION, THE  
21 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THEIR WORK IN GETTING US TO  
22 THIS POINT AND DESIGNING AND STRUCTURING. COUNTY COUNSEL, A  
23 LOT OF LEGAL WORK HAS BEEN REQUIRED ON THIS EFFORT. AND,  
24 FINALLY, THE OFFICE OF THE C.E.O. THE TEAM HAS WORKED WELL,  
25 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AND I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO PUBLICLY



1 ACKNOWLEDGE THEM FOR BRINGING US THUS FAR ALONG THE WAY. I  
2 WOULD SO MOVE THE ITEM, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK  
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED. ANY OBJECTION? SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR  
6 KNABE ABSTAINING. NEXT ITEM, NO. 6, SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** BY THE WAY, I WOULD LIKE ITEM NO. 13 CONTINUED ONE  
9 WEEK TO EVALUATE THE INFORMATION WE JUST RECEIVED FROM COUNTY  
10 COUNSEL.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION ON 13 TO CONTINUE FOR ONE WEEK  
13 BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NO. 6?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WANT TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS. I MEAN  
16 OBVIOUSLY OUR PROBATION FOLKS HAVE TRAINED OVER 7,000 COUNTY  
17 STAFF AND THEY'VE DONE A VERY GOOD OUTREACH JOB IN THE  
18 COMMUNITY. AND MICHELLE HAS USED STATE GRANT MONEY FOR THIS.  
19 AND IT'S REALLY RUN DRY. SO THIS FUNDING WILL ENSURE THAT WE  
20 ARE ABLE TO TRAIN AN ADDITIONAL 8,000 PEOPLE IN THE NEXT YEAR.  
21 AND IT COMES OUT OF THE FUNDS IDENTIFIED FOR THE C.S.E.C.  
22 SERVICES THAT THE BOARD APPROVED BACK IN MAY. SO OUR-- YOU  
23 KNOW, I'M JUST TRYING TO-- THE COMMENT WOULD BE I'D MOVE THE  
24 ITEM. BUT IT'S JUST EXTREMELY IMPORTANT-- AND THIS BOARD HAS





1 BEEN VERY AGGRESSIVE AND SUPPORTIVE OF THESE EFFORTS, AND I  
2 APPRECIATE THAT. SO WITH THAT I'D MOVE THE ITEM.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A MOTION. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. EXCUSE ME. MOTION BY KNABE TO  
6 RECONSIDER. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. MR. PREVEN  
7 AND MR. SACHS. YOUR TEAMMATE WON'T-- I DON'T KNOW. YOU GUYS  
8 ARE JOINED AT THE HIP MANY TIMES.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** LIKE THE SUPERVISORS BEING JOINED AT THE LIP,  
11 YAPPING. SO YOU'LL BE TRAINING 8,000 NEW PEOPLE IN THIS--  
12 WHICH EMPLOYEES WILL BE TRAINED IN THIS PROGRAM AT \$30 A HEAD?  
13 BECAUSE THAT'S PRETTY MUCH WHAT IT COMES DOWN TO. 8,000 INTO--  
14 BECAUSE FOR ME IT'S SOMETIMES-- A LOT OF TIMES WITH THE BOARD,  
15 THEY THROW NUMBERS AROUND. LIKE IT'S MAGIC BUT IT COMES DOWN  
16 TO THE MATH. SO 8,000 INTO 250,000 IS A LITTLE OVER \$30 A  
17 PERSON. WHAT KIND OF TRAINING DO YOU GET FOR \$30 A PERSON? YOU  
18 PRACTICALLY CAN'T EVEN BUY LUNCH. YOU CERTAINLY CAN'T BUY  
19 LUNCH AT THE D.W.P. BUT THAT'S A DIFFERENT STORY ALL THE WAY  
20 AROUND. AND HOW LONG DOES THIS GRANT RUN? ONE YEAR? WHAT  
21 HAPPENS THEN? IT'S AN ONGOING PROBLEM. AND WHY THIS IS JUST  
22 BEING-- WHY THIS MONEY IS JUST BEING GRANTED NOW WITH-- IN  
23 SPITE OF ALL THE ACCOLADES YOU GAVE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
24 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, THE LITANY OF PROBLEMS THAT THAT  
25 DEPARTMENT HAS, I MEAN, THEY DID HAVE 752 RECOMMENDATIONS,



1 SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS? THAT'S JUST  
2 OUTRAGEOUS. I'M TELLING YOU, IF THE NAZIS HAD YOUR KIND OF  
3 PRESS RELEASE GOING FOR THEM, IT WOULD BE WEIGHT LOSS  
4 REDUCTION CONCENTRATION CAMPS AND NOBODY WOULD HAVE SAID  
5 ANYTHING.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. SACHS, ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS READ THE BOARD  
8 LETTER. YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. COME  
9 ON. NO. I'M TALKING DURING YOUR TIME. I'M SHARING IT WITH YOU.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MOVE MR. THE AGENDA, MR. CHAIR.

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED, WITHOUT  
14 OBJECTION. SO ORDERED EXCUSE ME. MR. LUCAS. MOTION BY KNABE TO  
15 RECONSIDER. SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED. MR. LUCAS.

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17 **ROBERT LUCAS:** I DON'T KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN. IT'S LIKE WHEN SOME  
18 PEOPLE SPEAK AND YOU DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND WHERE THEY'RE  
19 COMING FROM AND THEY OPEN THEIR MOUTH, IT BECOMES QUITE CLEAR.  
20 FOR SOMEBODY TO LIVE IN THAT SPACE AND TRY TO DO SOMETHING  
21 FOR-- I DON'T EXACTLY KNOW WHAT COMEDY, SELF-PRESERVATION. I  
22 DON'T UNDERSTAND IT, THE TIME THAT IS WASTED FOR THE IDIOCY OF  
23 SOME PEOPLE'S SELF-ENTERTAINMENT JUST AMAZES ME. THE FACT OF  
24 THE MATTER IS I CAN ONLY SHARE WITH YOU THE EXPERIENCE THAT I  
25 HAVE WITH THIS FIELD, WITH MR. KNABE. I KNOW THAT OUT OF 10



1 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE TRAINED INTENSIVELY TO WORK IN THIS  
2 FIELD, I'VE BEEN A PART OF 25 INDIVIDUALS OVER A PERIOD OF  
3 THREE YEARS. OUT OF THOSE 25 PEOPLE AT THE END OF A YEAR,  
4 THERE WERE TWO LEFT STANDING. THIS IS NOT EASY WORK, I CAN  
5 TELL YOU. YOUR EMOTIONS, YOUR SOUL AND YOUR SPIRIT GET SHOOK.  
6 AND I KNOW FOR ME THE UNDERSTANDING THAT I'VE GAINED HAS COME  
7 OUT OF MY OWN TRAUMA, MY OWN DISAPPOINTMENT, MY OWN SHAME TO  
8 THE POINT THAT YOU FEEL YOU WANT TO GIVE UP. WHAT DO YOU DO  
9 WITH THAT WHEN SOMEBODY DUMPS THAT IN YOUR LAP? IF YOU'RE NOT  
10 COMPLETELY GROUNDED AND HAVE THE RIGHT SUPPORT SYSTEM, IT'S A  
11 DIFFICULT SITUATION AT BEST. BUT I DO KNOW ONE THING: FOR  
12 SOMEONE TO STAND UP HERE OR SIT UP HERE AND TURN THIS INTO  
13 SOME TYPE OF CHARADE IS SO DISAPPOINTING. IT JUST SHOWS YOU  
14 HOW OUT OF TOUCH SOME PEOPLE'S SPIRITS ARE.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS, FOR ALWAYS BEING  
17 CONSTRUCTIVE. RECONSIDERED? OKAY. MR. PREVEN. I WAS GOING TO  
18 GIVE YOU THE MR. LUCAS AWARD BECAUSE YOU PASSED BUT I HAVE TO  
19 TAKE IT AWAY FROM YOU.

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21 **ERIC PREVEN:** BUT I AM GOING TO GET ANOTHER AWARD BECAUSE HE  
22 DIDN'T USE HIS WHOLE MINUTE AWARD. I WANT TO MAKE A  
23 CLARIFICATION. OUT OF RESPECT TO MR. SACHS, YOU DID MAKE A  
24 STATEMENT THAT IT WAS A LITTLE CONFUSING TO FOLKS WHO LISTEN  
25 AT HOME. WE ARE NOT TOGETHER. WE ARE FRIENDLY. I CERTAINLY



1 KNOW THE GUY. BUT I DO NOT SIT WITH HIM AT THE MEETING. WE DO  
2 NOT COBBLE TOGETHER OUR IDEAS TOGETHER. HE'S VERY LEARNED MAN  
3 ABOUT COUNTY GOVERNMENT, SO YOU'VE HEARD FROM HIM REGULARLY.  
4 AND I AM TRYING TO LEARN AS MUCH AS I CAN.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR THE CLARIFICATION.

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8 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S NO PROBLEM. BUT WITH RESPECT TO THE ITEM,  
9 WHICH ONE IS THIS? C.S.E.C., RIGHT. SO I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO  
10 DO EVERYTHING. AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING. BUT HE DID MAKE A  
11 MISTAKE, MR. SACHS, HE SAID THIS IS A GRANT. THIS IS NOT A  
12 GRANT. THE GRANT HAS RUN OUT. THIS IS \$250,000 TO COVER THE  
13 GAP, IF I UNDERSTOOD IT CORRECTLY. AND HOPEFULLY BY THEN WE  
14 WILL HAVE SOLVED A PROPERTY OF THE PROBLEM AND WILL BE MORE  
15 MONEY FOR IT.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. KNABE MOVES.  
18 I'LL SECOND AGAIN. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. NEXT ITEM,  
19 23, MR. KNABE?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** MY QUESTIONS ARE TO THE DEPARTMENT ON THIS. I JUST  
22 WANT TO KNOW MAYBE COUNTY COUNSEL: ARE THERE ANY INCENTIVES AT  
23 THE END, EITHER TO FINISH ON TIME OR PENALTY SHOULD IT NOT BE  
24 ON TIME? WE'RE HIRING A CONSULTANT OVERLOOKING CONSULTANT, AND



1 I JUST WANT TO KNOW THE RELATIONSHIP AND IF THERE'S AN  
2 INCENTIVE TO FINISH THE PROJECT.

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4 **MARK SALADINO, COUNTY COUNSEL:** THE DEPARTMENT IS HERE,  
5 SUPERVISOR. I CAN'T ANSWER THAT SPECIFIC QUESTION. BUT I DO  
6 KNOW THAT CERNER, THE CONTRACTOR, HAS NOT MISSED ANY DEADLINES  
7 AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS ASKING FOR THIS EXTENSION.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. SO WHAT HAPPENS IF  
10 THEY DO MISS A DEAD LINE?

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12 **MARK SALADINO:** THAT'S A QUESTION FOR THE DEPARTMENT. AND HERE  
13 THEY ARE.

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15 **SPEAKER:** AS STATED, THERE'S NO FINANCIAL PENALTY TO CERNER FOR  
16 THIS MOVING THE TIMEFRAME. AND I THINK YOUR QUESTION WAS--

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL THE DEPARTMENT ASKED FOR THE EXTENSION. OR TO  
19 SPREAD THE TIMELINE OUT. BUT SHOULD THAT NOT HAPPEN, IS THERE  
20 ANY PENALTY TO CERNER SHOULD THEY NOT MEET THE TIMELINES?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** NO THERE IS NO CONTRACTUAL PENALTY TO THEM. THE  
23 PAYMENTS TO THEM EXTEND OUT AS TO WHEN THE GO-LIVE CLUSTERS DO  
24 COMPLETE THEIR GO LIVE. SO IT IS NOT A CONTRACTUAL PENALTY BUT  
25 THEIR PAYMENT SCHEDULE IS MOVED OUT ACCORDINGLY.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** SO AS YOU MOVE THESE THINGS OUT, WHAT'S BEEN  
3 HISTORIC HERE IN THIS COUNTY, AS YOU MOVE THIS OUT AND YOU BE  
4 A WILLING PARTNER IN ALL THIS, SHOULD THEY NOT PERFORM, WE'RE  
5 SO FAR INTO IT THAT WE CAN'T CHANGE VENDORS. SO I WANT TO  
6 KNOW, WHAT IS THE COUNTY'S PROTECTION AT THE END OF THE DAY?  
7 THIS IS A BIG DEAL.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THERE ARE PERFORMANCE STATEMENTS IN THE CONTRACT THAT  
10 IF THEY DO NOT PERFORM, THERE ARE REMEDIES IN THERE THAT CAN  
11 HOLD BACK DOLLARS OR THAT ADDRESS THINGS SUCH AS-- THEY HAVE  
12 TO MAKE ALL THE 12 KEY MILESTONES. AND THOSE MILESTONES ARE  
13 LINKS TO THE GO LIVE CLUSTERS. AND WHEN THE COUNTY AGREED THAT  
14 THOSE KEY MILESTONES ARE ACCOMPLISHED THAT'S WHEN THE PAYMENT  
15 IS MADE. THERE'S ALSO A 10 PERCENT HOLD BACK FOR KEY MILESTONE  
16 THAT IS ALSO HELD IN ARREARS AND WHEN THE MILESTONE IS AGREED  
17 TO BE COMPLETELY THAT HOLDBACK IS ALSO PAID. AND THERE ARE  
18 OTHER REMEDIES PERFORMANCE IF THEY DON'T MAKE MAKE. THERE ARE  
19 OTHER REMEDIES IF PERFORMANCE, IF THEY DON'T--

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT ABOUT COST OVERRUNS DUE TO THEIR EFFORTS, NOT  
22 OURS?

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24 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY?

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1   **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT ABOUT COST OVERRUNS DUE TO THEIR EFFORTS, NOT  
2   OURS?

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4   **SPEAKER:** THAT'S PART OF THE CONTRACTUAL, THAT'S PART OF THEIR  
5   CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION. SO THAT'S WHERE THEY-- THEY'RE PAYING  
6   MONEY TO HAVE STAFF ON SITE. SO WE BOTH WANT TO FINISH THIS  
7   PROJECT.

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9   **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT PIECE OF THIS.

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11   **SPEAKER:** SO WE'RE BOTH ALIGNED AND WANT TO GET THIS DONE AS  
12   QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. THEY'RE PAYING FOR THEIR RESOURCES TO BE  
13   ON SITE FOR THIS TIME PERIOD, THE EXTENDED TIME PERIOD, BUT  
14   IT'S NOT A CONTRACTUAL PENALTY

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16   **SUP. KNABE:** ARE THERE ANY PROTECTIONS BUILT INTO THE GARTNER  
17   CONTRACT FOR US?

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19   **SPEAKER:** SIMILAR STRUCTURE TO THE GARTNER AGREEMENT, TOO.

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21   **SUP. KNABE:** YOU SEE, MY CONCERN IS THAT WE HAVE ALL THESE  
22   TIMELINES THAT WE ARE PROTECTED AS A COUNTY. IF THERE'S AN  
23   INCENTIVE, YOU HAVE TWO CONTRACTUAL FOLKS, WE'RE HIRING ONE TO  
24   OVERSEE THE OTHER ONE, TO HELP US MOVE THIS THING FORWARD AND  
25   I WANT TO MAKE SURE THE INCENTIVE'S THERE FOR THEM TO COMPLETE





1 THE PROJECT. BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, THAT'S THE MOST  
2 IMPORTANT PIECE OF ALL THIS YEAH, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT  
3 PENALTIES FOR LACK OF PERFORMANCE. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY,  
4 WE WANT THIS PROJECT TO GO. SO WHAT IS OUR PROTECTIONS IN THE  
5 GARTNER CONTRACT?

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7 **SPEAKER:** THE PROTECTION IN THE GARTNER CONTRACT IS THAT I  
8 THINK THE STRUCTURE IS SIMILAR TO THE STRUCTURE IN THE CERNER  
9 CONTRACT. AGAIN WE'RE BOTH INCENTIVIZED TO FINISH THE PROJECT  
10 IN A QUICK TIMEFRAME.

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12 **MARK SALADINO:** THEY DON'T GET PAID, SUPERVISOR. IF THEY DON'T  
13 PERFORM, THEY DON'T GET PAID. AND THEN IF THEY CONTINUE NOT TO  
14 PERFORM, WE COULD HOLD THEM IN BREACH OF CONTRACT AND WE'D  
15 HAVE ALL THE CONTRACTUAL REMEDIES THAT WE HAVE UNDER ANY  
16 CONTRACT.

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** WE DO HAVE THOSE?

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20 **MARK SALADINO:** SURE, YEAH.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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24 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** IF I MAY, DR. MITCH KATZ, THE DIRECTOR OF  
25 D.H.S. I WOULD ADD THAT WE WILL HAVE A LOT MORE INFORMATION



1 FOR YOU BECAUSE WHEN L.A.C. U.S.C. GOES LIVE, WHICH IS THIS  
2 MONTH, BECAUSE OF ITS SIZE, WE WILL THEN BE 75 PERCENT OF THE  
3 SYSTEM LIVE. RIGHT NOW IS REALLY THE BIGGEST JUMP. IF WE  
4 SUCCESSFULLY MAKE THAT JUMP, THEN WE ONLY HAVE 25 PERCENT OF  
5 THE SYSTEM LEFT. AND I THINK YOU AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE  
6 BOARD WILL BE ABLE TO GAUGE QUITE A LOT FROM WHETHER OR NOT  
7 THAT'S A SUCCESS. IF ITS, I THINK THE REST WILL BE A PRETTY  
8 EASY RIDE

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE TWO SPEAKERS. DR. CLAVREUL AND  
11 MR. SACHS.

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13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
14 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW IT'S OF CONCERN TO ME, FIRST  
15 OF ALL, THOSE GO LIVE TIMES HAVE BEEN CHANGED OFF AND ON. AND  
16 I THINK IF YOU GO BACK TO THE ORIGINAL TIMES, THE TIMES WERE  
17 DIFFERENT. BUT IT'S BEYOND MY COMPREHENSION TO SEE THAT WE  
18 HAVE TO HAVE GARTNER CONSULTANT TO MAKE SURE THAT CERNER IS  
19 DOING THEIR JOB. I HAVE NOT QUITE SEEN THAT KIND OF CONTRACT  
20 IN MY EXPERTISE WITH MULTIPLE HOSPITALS. AND TODAY WE ARE  
21 ASKED TO INCREASE GARTNER BY \$1.5 MILLION. THAT MEANS WE ARE  
22 PAYING \$4,577,012 TO MAKE SURE THAT CERNER IS DOING THEIR JOB.  
23 YOU HAVE ANOTHER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY GROUP HNERE, YOU PAY  
24 THEM. THEY ARE THE ONE WHO HIRED ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE. CERNER,  
25 LIKE I TOLD YOU BEFORE, IS THE WORST SOFTWARE IN THE INDUSTRY



1 IN O.R.C.H.I.D. MOST OF OUR DEPARTMENTS DON'T TALK TO EACH  
2 OTHER. MANY HAVE MISSED THEIR DEADLINE TO GO LIVE. AND FOR ME  
3 TO SEE AN ADDITIONAL 1.5 MILLION TODAY, TO GET SOMEBODY TO  
4 WATCH THE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT PERFORMING, SOMETHING WRONG IN  
5 THAT PICTURE. WHO IS GETTING KICKBACK ON THAT ONE?

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES. THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING AGAIN ARNOLD SACHS.  
8 OH HOO HOO HOO. I'M TELLING YOU. JUST DON'T KNOW ANYTHING.  
9 COMPANY SUPERVISING ANOTHER COMPANY. SO ONE WON'T GET PAID IF  
10 THEY DON'T PERFORM. WHO WON'T GET PAID? THE FIRST SUPERVISING  
11 COMPANY OR THE SECOND SUPERVISING COMPANY? LEAVE IT TO UP THE  
12 SUPERVISORS. NOW, THIS CERNER, SOMEWHAT RINGS A BELL. WHAT IS  
13 IT THREE, MAYBE FOUR YEARS AGO YOU HAD A HUGE, IT'S LIKE \$400  
14 MILLION, \$450 MILLION CONTRACT WITH CERNER CORPORATION FOR  
15 SOME COUNTY BUSINESS. I BELIEVE SUPERVISOR KNABE MENTIONED  
16 YOU'RE NOT COMING BACK FOR ANYMORE MONEY, ARE YOU? AND THE  
17 PEOPLE WHO WERE OVERSEEING THE CONTRACT SAID NO, WE'RE DONE.  
18 OOPS. LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE COMING BACK. SO \$450 MILLION WASN'T  
19 ENOUGH. NOW, THAT BEING SAID, I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING  
20 ABOUT. ABSOLUTELY. SON OF A GUN. BUT I DO KNOW FROM LISTENING  
21 TO THE BOARD THAT THE BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY HAS GONE UP \$3  
22 BILLION IN THREE YEARS. THIS BUDGET IS NOW THE '15/'16 BUDGET  
23 IS \$27 BILLION. TWO YEARS AGO IT WAS \$24 BILLION. YOU FEEL  
24 LIKE YOU'RE GETTING \$3 BILLION WORTH OF SERVICE? SO WHEN  
25 PEOPLE WANT TO COME UP HERE AND RIDICULE WHAT I HAVE TO SAY



1 ABOUT GETTING IN THE DIRT ABOUT THIS, I ALSO LOOK AT YOUR  
2 TRACK RECORD FROM SITTING ON THE BOARD AT METRO. AND THERE'S A  
3 FINE, OUTSTANDING BOARD, TOO. WHAT PROGRESSION. 25 YEARS THEY  
4 STILL HAVEN'T GOTTEN TO THE AIRPORT. YOU GOT A REASON FOR  
5 THAT, SUPERVISOR KNABE? CAN YOU EVEN SHARE WHAT THE PROBLEM  
6 IS? WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOR THE GREEN  
7 LINE? WHY THERE IS NO CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOR THE CRENSHAW  
8 LINE? IT'S AMAZING. SAME ROAD. SO WHEN YOU GET THAT KIND OF  
9 INFORMATION AND YOU DON'T GET ANY ANSWERS, YOU GET PISSED.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE MOVES. SECONDED  
12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THIS IS NOT THE M.T.A. MEETING,  
13 IS IT? OKAY. ITEM 61. DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS? GOOD  
14 MORNING.

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16 **BRIAN STEGIR:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M BRIAN STIGER,  
17 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS.  
18 AT YOUR MEETING ON APRIL 28TH YOU ASKED MY DEPARTMENT ALONG  
19 WITH COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK ON A LABOR ISSUE INVOLVING  
20 TRUCK DRIVERS AT THE PORTS OF LOS ANGELES AND LONG BEACH. WE  
21 WORKED WITH COUNTY COUNSEL AND SUBMITTED THE WRITTEN REPORT TO  
22 YOUR OFFICES LAST WEEK. ON APRIL 27TH, SEVERAL HUNDRED TRUCK  
23 DRIVERS BEGAN A STRIKE AGAINST TRUCKING COMPANIES AT THE  
24 PORTS. THE STRIKING TRUCK DRIVERS ALLEGED THAT THE FOUR  
25 COMPANIES MISCLASSIFIED THE TRUCK DRIVERS AS INDEPENDENT



1 CONTRACTORS RATHER THAN EMPLOYEES OF THE COMPANIES. THE STRIKE  
2 ENSUED FOR FIVE DAYS AND ENDED ON MAY 1ST WHEN THE TRUCK  
3 DRIVERS RETURNED TO WORK WITHOUT A RESOLUTION. THROUGH OUR  
4 RESEARCH, WE FOUND THAT MANY TRUCKING COMPANIES OPERATING AT  
5 THE PORTS HAVE HISTORICALLY CLASSIFIED THEIR TRUCK DRIVERS AS  
6 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, THEY ARE  
7 NOT ENTITLED TO MINIMUM WAGE, OVERTIME PAY, WORKER'S  
8 COMPENSATION, UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND CANNOT JOIN LABOR  
9 UNIONS. THEY ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO ABSORB A PORTION OF THE  
10 BUSINESS COSTS INCLUDING FUEL AND MAINTENANCE COSTS.  
11 INDIVIDUALS WHO BELIEVE THEY HAVE BEEN MISCLASSIFIED AS  
12 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS MAY FILE COMPLAINTS WITH STATE AND  
13 FEDERAL AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE CALIFORNIA LABOR COMMISSION.  
14 LABOR COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE HAS RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 550  
15 COMPLAINTS ALLEGING MISCLASSIFICATION. AS THE LABOR  
16 COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE WORKS THROUGH THESE COMPLAINTS, THEY ARE  
17 FINDING IN ALMOST ALL CASES THAT THE TRUCKING COMPANIES HAVE  
18 MISCLASSIFIED THE COMPLAINANTS AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. THE  
19 CONSEQUENCES TO THESE COMPANIES FOR MISCLASSIFYING WORKERS MAY  
20 INCLUDE SUBSTANTIAL CIVIL JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES, FINES AND  
21 ADDITIONAL TAX LIABILITIES. NOW, THE COUNTY HAS LIMITED  
22 JURISDICTION IN THIS AREA; HOWEVER, YOUR BOARD HAS SIGNIFICANT  
23 INFLUENCE OVER IMPORTANT LABOR ISSUES WITHIN THE COUNTY. IN  
24 THIS REGARD, THE BOARD SUPPORT FOR REGULATORY OR LEGISLATIVE  
25 ACTIONS COULD HAVE AN IMPACT ON THIS ISSUE. IN ADDITION, THE



1 COUNTY COULD DETERMINE THAT COMPANIES THAT WISH TO DO BUSINESS  
2 WITH THE COUNTY MUST MEET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS AS LONG AS IT'S  
3 NOT PRE-EMPTED BY FEDERAL OR STATE LAW. WE PROVIDED SOME  
4 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. ONE IS  
5 PREVENTION. AT OUR DEPARTMENT, WE BELIEVE THAT PREVENTION  
6 OBVIOUSLY IS BETTER THAN THE CURE. WE COULD PROVIDE OUTREACH  
7 AND EDUCATION WORKSHOPS TO EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ABOUT THEIR  
8 RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE LAW. SECONDLY, WE COULD  
9 SERVE AS A REFERRAL AGENCY AND EMPLOYEES WHO BELIEVE THAT THEY  
10 HAVE BEEN MISCLASSIFIED COULD CONTACT US AND WE COULD POINT  
11 THEM IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. THIRD, WE CAN PARTNER WITH THE  
12 STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES TO LEVERAGE OUR RESOURCES. AND,  
13 FOURTH, COUNTY CONTRACTING, THE COUNTY COULD EXPLORE POLICIES  
14 THAT WOULD PROHIBIT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FROM CONTRACTING WITH  
15 COMPANIES THAT HAVE JUDGMENTS RELATED TO EMPLOYMENT STATUS OR  
16 WAGE AND HOUR VIOLATIONS. AND, FINALLY, THERE ARE THREE BILLS  
17 THAT ARE PENDING BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE THAT IF PASSED AND  
18 SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR WOULD PROVIDE THE LABOR COMMISSIONER  
19 ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY AND TOOLS TO ENFORCE EXISTING LABOR LAW.  
20 THOSE BILLS ARE SENATE BILL 588, ASSEMBLY BILL 621 AND  
21 ASSEMBLY BILL 970. WE HAVE COMPLETED THE BILL ANALYSIS AND  
22 SENT THEM TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. AND I AM HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY  
23 QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT THE REPORT.

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, SOME OF THE QUESTIONS ARE ISSUES THAT YOU  
5 RAISED THAT ARE YOU'RE ABLE TO DEAL WITH. BUT AS IT RELATES TO  
6 THIS ITEM, THOUGH, WE REALLY HAVE NO JURISDICTION OVER THIS  
7 DISPUTE; IS THAT CORRECT?

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9 **BRIAN STIGER:** THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, SIR.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** SO ANYTHING WE DO WOULD BE LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT.  
12 IT'S NOT THAT WE CAN TAKE A POSITION ON OR LOCK SOMEBODY OUT  
13 OR DO ANYTHING BECAUSE IT'S NOT UNDER OUR JURISDICTION, THAT  
14 IS CORRECT?

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16 **BRIAN STIGER:** THAT IS CORRECT.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** QUESTION, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-  
19 THOMAS?

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES. I  
22 WANT TO BEGIN BY ACKNOWLEDGING THE GOOD WORK THAT THE  
23 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, ALONG WITH COUNTY  
24 COUNSEL, DID IN PREPARATION OF THE REPORT BACK. I THINK THE  
25 REPORT DOES A GOOD JOB AT PRESENTING THE VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE





1 OF WHAT IS QUICKLY BECOMING KNOWN OR APPRECIATED AS WAGE THEFT  
2 AMONG TRUCK DRIVERS THAT AFFECT PORT TRUCK DRIVERS. AND THE  
3 QUESTION MAY BE POSED ABOUT MY PARTICULAR INTEREST IN THIS.  
4 MIGHT I JUST SIMPLY SAY FOR THE RECORD AT LEAST THREE OF THE  
5 FOUR COMPANIES OR BUSINESSES INVOLVED ARE RESIDENT IN THE  
6 SECOND DISTRICT, IN CARSON AND GARDENA AND IN THE  
7 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. A NUMBER OF THE PORT  
8 DRIVERS IN THE RESPECTIVE AREAS ARE INVOLVED IN A DISPUTE WITH  
9 THEIR EMPLOYERS CONCERNING THEIR EMPLOYMENT CLASSIFICATION AS  
10 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. THIS IS NOT A NEW ISSUE. FOR THOSE OF  
11 US WHO SERVED IN THE LEGISLATURE, WE KNOW THAT THIS IS A BIG  
12 ISSUE AND CONTINUES TO BE BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT EMPLOYEES  
13 THEN MISS OUT ON SUBSTANTIAL BENEFITS. AND THAT'S THE DESIGN  
14 OR THE INTENT OF EMPLOYERS TO ESSENTIALLY NOT STAND UP TO  
15 THAT. AND WHAT'S FAIR IS FAIR. THE LAW IS THE LAW. AND EITHER  
16 PEOPLE ARE IN COMPLIANCE OR THEY ARE NOT. I FOUND THE DATA  
17 PRESENTED TO BE VERY COMPELLING. THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
18 INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS REPORTED THAT OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS,  
19 THE LABOR COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE HAS RECEIVED SOME 550  
20 COMPLAINTS RELATING TO MISCLASSIFICATION OF WORKERS IN THE  
21 TRUCKING INDUSTRY. NOT A SMALL NUMBER, SIGNIFICANT TO US. AT  
22 THE SAME TIME, IT'S THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS  
23 NOTES THAT THE HEARINGS HAVE BEEN FAIRLY FACT INTENSIVE,  
24 TAKING A COMPLETE DAY PLUS TO SORT THROUGH THE VARIOUS ISSUES.  
25 AS OF MAY OF THIS YEAR, THOSE COMPLAINTS, SOME 550, 113 ORDER



1 DECISION OR AWARD FINDINGS FOR THE EMPLOYEES TOTALING ALMOST  
2 \$5 MILLION. NOT A SMALL THING. NOT INSIGNIFICANT. REAL MONEY.  
3 AND IT IS A MATTER OF JUSTICE. AND OF THE 46 O.D.A.S, THEY'VE  
4 BEEN APPEALED BY THE EMPLOYER. AND THOSE APPEALS REPRESENTS  
5 ANOTHER NEAR \$4 MILLION OF THE AMOUNT ORIGINALLY STATED. AND  
6 SO THESE POOR TRUCK DRIVERS REPRESENTING IN CLASS PERSONS IN  
7 OUR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITY, WE NEED TO TAKE AN APPROPRIATE STAND  
8 FOR FAIRNESS, FOR JUSTICE IN THE WORKPLACE. AND AS A COUNTY,  
9 WE CAN DO OUR PART IN ENSURING THAT WORKERS ARE NOT EXPLOITED.  
10 THE PUBLIC SECTOR, OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE A FIRST BASE DUTY IN THAT  
11 REGARD. IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, WE CANNOT CLOSE OUR EYES TO THE  
12 REALITIES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE DETERIORATION OF THE QUALITY  
13 OF LIFE FOR INDIVIDUALS AND/OR THEIR FAMILIES BECAUSE OF THE  
14 SOCIAL ILLS THAT ATTEND TO SUCH NEGLECT. AND SO THE REPORT  
15 BACK REPRESENTS FIVE AREAS IN WHICH THE BOARD CAN TAKE  
16 POSSIBLE NEXT STEPS, THE FIRST WHICH IS PREVENTION. SECONDLY,  
17 INFORMATION AND REFERRALS, THIRDLY, PARTNERSHIPS. FOURTH WOULD  
18 BE CONTRACTING, COUNTY CONTRACTING ISSUES. AND, LASTLY,  
19 ATTENDING TO PENDING LEGISLATION. AND SO, MR. CHAIR, I'D MOVE  
20 THAT THE STAFF REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS WITH A MORE DETAILED  
21 PLAN TO IMPLEMENT THE FIVE RECOMMENDED AREAS OF ACTION,  
22 INCLUDING SUPPORTING THE MEASURES BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE. AND  
23 STAFF SHOULD ENGAGE THE RESPECTIVE COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS IN  
24 THE PROCESS. AND THE PLAN SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE WHAT MIGHT BE  
25 REQUIRED IN TERMS OF ADDITIONAL STAFFING AND/OR FUNDING



1 STRATEGY. THAT SHOULD COME BACK TO THE BOARD FOR OUR  
2 DISPOSITION. THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION, MR. CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A MOTION. BUT WE HAVE A NUMBER  
5 OF PEOPLE WHO WERE GOING TO SPEAK ON THIS. LET ME JUST ASK THE  
6 DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS: WE'VE BEEN TOLD THAT THERE ARE  
7 APPROXIMATELY 16,000 PORT TRUCK DRIVERS WITH APPROXIMATELY  
8 ONLY HALF WORKING FULL-TIME AT THE PORT. HAS A POLL BEEN  
9 CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE HOW MANY OF THE 16,000 DRIVERS PREFER  
10 BEING INDEPENDENT OWNER/OPERATORS VERSUS EMPLOYEES?

11  
12 **BRIAN STIGER:** WE HAVE NOT CONDUCTED A POLL, SUPERVISOR.

13  
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY OF THE 46 ORDER  
15 DECISION OR AWARDS THAT WERE APPEALED BY THE EMPLOYER HAVE  
16 BEEN UPHELD?

17  
18 **SPEAKER:** I DIDN'T GET THE LAST PART.

19  
20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HOW MANY OF THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN  
21 APPEALED HAVE BEEN UPHELD?

22  
23 **BRIAN STIGER:** I DON'T HAVE THE EXACT FIGURES BUT I CAN GET  
24 THAT FOR YOU, SIR.



1    **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT COMING BACK IN THE REPORT.

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3    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, SHOULD.

4

5    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE REPORT BACK SHOULD ALSO HAVE AN  
6    ANALYSIS BY OUR GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS OFFICE ALONG WITH, IS THE  
7    FUNDING COMING OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND, OR IS IT BEING  
8    SUPPORTED BY FEDERAL OR STATE GRANT MONEY, THE SOURCE OF  
9    FUNDING? BUT ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

10

11   **SUP. KNABE:** DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF THE MOTION?

12

13   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

14

15   **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, I JUST WANT TO ADD MY SUPPORT FOR THIS MOTION  
16   BECAUSE I DO THINK IT IS TIMELY. AND IF WE WERE TO ACCOUNT FOR  
17   ALL THE WAGE THEFT THAT WENT ON IN THIS INDUSTRY ALONE, I'M  
18   SURE THAT OUR BUDGET WOULD BE IMPACTED, THE COUNTY BUDGET  
19   WOULD BE IMPACTED BECAUSE THERE ARE MANY INDIVIDUALS WHO ALSO  
20   NOT ONLY ARE TRUCK DRIVERS BUT ARE ASSOCIATED WITH THE  
21   TRUCKING, INDEPENDENT AS THEY'RE CLASSIFIED RIGHT NOW IN MANY  
22   WAYS, THAT LIVE IN OUR DISTRICTS. AND I'VE HEARD THIS TIME AND  
23   TIME AGAIN ALSO IN THE FIRST DISTRICT WHERE INDIVIDUALS NOT  
24   BEEN PAID ADEQUATELY, AND THEY'VE EXPERIENCED SEVERE WAGE  
25   THEFT. SO I AGREE WITH THE FORMAT, THE PREVENTION, INFORMATION



1 REFERRAL, THE PARTNERSHIPS. AND THE CONTRACTING I THINK IS  
2 MOST IMPORTANT BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE I THINK WE CAN DO MORE DUE  
3 DILIGENCE IN LOOKING AND REVIEWING ANY POLICIES WHERE WE HAVE  
4 ANY OUTSTANDING CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES THAT HAVE HAD MAJOR  
5 WAGE VIOLATIONS IN THIS AREA. AND I WOULD BE VERY INTERESTED  
6 TO SEE WHAT THAT HISTORY IS AND HOW WE CAN MOVE FORWARD, SO I  
7 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS. I THINK IT'S GOOD FOR US TO WORK  
8 WITH OUR OUTSIDE LEGISLATORS. BUT ALSO THE E.D.D. FAIR  
9 EMPLOYMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR STANDARDS AND ENFORCEMENT.  
10 THESE ARE ALL OUR NEIGHBORS AND OUR COMMUNITIES THAT WORK  
11 TOGETHER ON A LOT OF OTHER ISSUES, SO THIS ISN'T THE EXCEPTION  
12 TO THE RULE. THIS IS SOMETHING WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO FOSTER.  
13 SO THANK YOU TO YOUR STAFF AND FOR COUNTY COUNSEL FOR  
14 PROVIDING THIS INFORMATION. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE 60-DAY  
15 REPORT BACK.

16  
17 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S ALL WE'RE VOTING ON TODAY IS A 60-DAY  
18 REPORT BACK?

19  
20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

21  
22 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. FIRST OF ALL, LET ME PRAISE  
23 THE DEPARTMENT AND YOURSELF INDIVIDUALLY FOR THE SERIES OF  
24 HEARINGS THAT YOU DID FOR US ON THE MINIMUM WAGE.



1    **BRIAN STIGER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

2

3    **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I THINK BOTH SIDES WERE THROWING TOMATOES.

4    AND YOU PUT ON VERY GOOD HEARINGS, VERY FAIRLY BALANCED AND

5    WELL PUT ON. AS TO THIS MATTER, I'M SUPPORTIVE. I THINK IN THE

6    REPORT BACK, ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WAS MADE HAD TO

7    DO WITH AN OFFICE IN THE COUNTY WHERE INFORMATION, ADVICE AND

8    EVEN COMPLAINTS COULD BE FILED. I THINK IT WOULD BE GOOD TO

9    HEAR FROM COUNTY COUNSEL ABOUT WHAT THE LIMITS MIGHT BE ON

10   ADVICE THAT WE COULD GIVE ABOUT PEOPLE'S RIGHTS IN TERMS OF

11   NOT REPRESENTING THEM BUT, YOU KNOW, WE WOULDN'T BE INVENTING

12   A WHEEL. A LOT OF OFFICES DO THAT AND I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE

13   AND COULD BE WITHIN OUR PURVIEW TO DO IT. BUT IT WOULD BE GOOD

14   TO KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY LIMITATIONS THAT MIGHT BE ON OUR

15   ABILITY TO GIVE-- JUST TO GIVE ADVICE.

16

17   **MARK SALADINO:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, IF YOU'RE SUGGESTING LEGAL

18   ADVICE FROM THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL, THAT WOULD NOT BE

19   APPROPRIATE.

20

21   **SUP. KUEHL:** THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING. IN THE REPORT BACK,

22   PERHAPS WE COULD UNDERSTAND WHAT WE COULD DO OR WHAT YOUR

23   ADVICE MIGHT BE TO DO; WHAT WE MIGHT NOT DO. BECAUSE I LIKE

24   THE IDEA OF THE COUNTY BEING A SOURCE OF INFORMATION. AND IN

25   THESE CASES WHERE I THINK EGREGIOUS ACTIONS ARE BEING TAKEN, I



1 LIKE IT EVEN BETTER, THAT PEOPLE CAN GET INFORMATION ABOUT  
2 MAYBE WHAT THEIR RIGHTS ARE THAT WOULD NOT BE LEGAL ADVICE, TO  
3 KNOW WHAT YOUR RIGHTS ARE. IT'S DIFFERENT FROM TELLING AN  
4 INDIVIDUAL PERSON "HERE'S WHAT YOU SHOULD DO." I'M JUST SAYING  
5 IN THE REPORT THAT WOULD BE GOOD TO KNOW. ALSO IN THE REPORT  
6 BACK, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS MENTIONED THE NEEDING TO KNOW  
7 WHETHER ADDITIONAL STAFF MIGHT BE NEEDED. AND I THINK IT WOULD  
8 BE GOOD FOR US TO KNOW, AS SUPERVISOR KNABE WANTS TO KNOW,  
9 WHAT KIND OF MONEY, ET CETERA. THAT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.  
10 BECAUSE, AGAIN, I THINK IT WOULD BE A VERY GOOD UNDERTAKING.  
11 AND OF COURSE IT WAS YOUR OWN RECOMMENDATION. SO I THINK THAT  
12 WOULD BE WONDERFUL. IN THE AREA OF CONTRACTING, I THINK WE DO  
13 HAVE QUITE A BIT OF ABILITY TO CONTROL THE PERSONS WITH WHOM  
14 WE CONTRACT AND WHAT THE CONDITIONS ARE. WE SAY A NUMBER OF  
15 DIFFERENT THINGS TO THEM. SO THAT MIGHT BE GOOD FOR US TO  
16 UNDERSTAND WHAT ROLE DO WE HAVE IN CONTRACTING WITH ANYONE WHO  
17 HIRES TRUCK DRIVERS? AND IN THAT CASE, WHAT WE MIGHT DO. AND  
18 THEN AGAIN LOOKING AT WHATEVER BILLS ARE PENDING. SO I'M  
19 SUPPORTIVE OF THIS REPORT BACK. THANK YOU.

20  
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS.  
22 MAYBE YOU WANT TO SIT OVER THERE ON THE SIDE. DANIEL LINARES.  
23 ALFREDO GONZALES. NEED AN INTERPRETER. FELIX UMANA. YOU'LL  
24 INTERPRET THEN? YES, SIR.

25





1 **DANIEL LINARES:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF THE  
2 BOARD, MY NAME IS DANIEL, AND I AM HERE TODAY TO SAY THANK YOU  
3 FOR STUDYING THIS ISSUE AND CONSIDERING THE ACTIONS YOU CAN  
4 TAKE. PACIFIC KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION IS ONE OF THE TOP 10 PORT  
5 TRUCKING COMPANIES SERVING THE PORTS OF LOS ANGELES AND LONG  
6 BEACH. I HAVE WORKED FOR PAC. KNIGHT FOR SEVEN YEARS HAULING  
7 CONTAINERS FOR WALMART, FOREVER 21, LOUIS VUITTON, C.V.S.,  
8 MACY'S AND FAMILY DOLLAR. MANY WEEKS I MAKE FAR LESS THAN THE  
9 MINIMUM WAGE. SOME WEEKS I EVEN OWED THE COMPANY TO WORK. IN  
10 THE PACKET YOU HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR A FEW PAYCHECKS. HERE I  
11 HAVE A COPY OF ONE OF MY PAYCHECKS FOR YOU TO SEE. I HAVE ONE  
12 CHECK FOR \$1,345 AND THAT'S THE GROSS PAY. AND MY NET IS \$438.  
13 COULD YOU IMAGINE WORKING LIKE THIS, HAULING THIS VALUABLE  
14 CARGO? IN DECEMBER 2014, THE CALIFORNIA D.L.S.E. DETERMINED  
15 THAT I WAS ONE OF FOUR PAC. KNIGHT DRIVERS MISCLASSIFIED AS  
16 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. PAC KNIGHT WAS ORDERED TO PAY US A  
17 TOTAL OF \$254,627 IN BACK WAGES STOLEN FROM OUR PAYCHECK, AND  
18 PENALTIES. 43 ADDITIONAL DRIVERS HAVE FILED CLAIMS VALUED AT  
19 MORE THAN \$6.25 MILLION. IF EVERY DRIVER OF THE COMPANY WERE  
20 TO FILE A CLAIM, THE COMPANY WOULD FACE AN ADDITIONAL  
21 LIABILITY OF AT LEAST 12 MILLION.

22  
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU WANT TO CONCLUDE?



1   **DANIEL LINARES:** PACIFIC KNIGHT IS ALSO FACING TWO CLASS  
2   ACTIONS LAWSUITS FOR ALLEGED WAGE THEFT AND ILLEGAL  
3   MISCLASSIFICATION OF THESE DRIVERS.

4

5   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. BUT YOUR TIME IS  
6   UP. BUT YOU CAN GIVE YOUR TESTIMONY TO THE SERGEANT AT ARMS  
7   AND HE'LL DISTRIBUTE IT TO THE FIVE MEMBERS OF THE  
8   SUPERVISORS. YES, SIR.

9

10   **FELIX UMANA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS FELIX, AND UNTIL  
11   RECENTLY I DROVE FOR PORT TRUCKING COMPANY Q.T.S. LIKE DANIEL  
12   AND ALFREDO I WAS MISCLASSIFIED AS AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR,  
13   BUT UNLIKE MY BROTHERS, THE COMPANY I DROVE FOR FROM 2011 TO  
14   2015 TOOK THE CHEATING WAY OUT. THEY FILED FOR BANKRUPTCY AND  
15   REOPENED UNDER ANOTHER NAME RATHER THAN PAY US WHAT THEY OWED  
16   US. Q.T.S. WAS PART OF A PORT TRUCKING ENTERPRISE OWNED BY  
17   ERIC YU. ONE OF MR. YU.'S FREIGHT COMPANIES, L.A.C.A. EXPRESS  
18   IS IN UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY AT 13900 SOUTH BROADWAY. IN  
19   2014, THE D.L.S.E. DETERMINED THAT FOUR Q.T.S. DRIVERS WERE  
20   EMPLOYEES AND AWARDED US A COMBINED AMOUNT OF OVER \$160,000.  
21   TO THIS DATE, Q.T.S. HAS NOT REIMBURSED US, HAS NOT REIMBURSED  
22   THE DRIVERS; INSTEAD, THE OWNER APPEALED TO THE SUPERIOR  
23   COURT. THE D.L.S.E. ALONG WITH THE E.D.D. HAS ISSUED SIMILAR  
24   RULINGS FOR DRIVERS AT L.A.C.A. EXPRESS AND WIN-WIN LOGISTICS.  
25   Q.T.S. IS ALSO A COMPANY OWNED BY ERIC YU. THE SAME DAY Q.T.S.



1 FILED FOR BANKRUPTCY, FILING Q.T.S. MANAGER CREATED A NEW  
2 COMPANY C.S.J.J EXPRESS TO WHICH IT THEN BEGAN SHIFTING ITS  
3 WORK ESSENTIALLY STARVING Q.T.S. OF THE INCOME NEEDED TO PAY  
4 OUR CLAIMS. OUR ATTORNEY IN THE CLASS ACTION SUIT HAS FILED IN  
5 COURT TO CONNECT THE ASSETS OF Q.T.S. WITH MR. YU.'S OTHER  
6 BUSINESSES, BUT WITH THIS YOU SHOULD SEE THE KIND OF CORRUPT  
7 BUSINESSES WE ARE DEALING WITH AT THE PORTS. ONE OF THE  
8 BIGGEST WAYS THE COMPANY STEALS YOUR WAGES IS BY DEDUCTING A  
9 TRUCK LEASE PAYMENT FROM OUR PAYCHECKS. YOU CAN SEE EXAMPLES  
10 OF OUR PAYCHECKS IN THE PACKETS WE GAVE YOU TODAY. SO A LOT OF  
11 PEOPLE ASSUME WHEN WE LEAVE THE COMPANY, WE CAN TAKE THE TRUCK  
12 WITH US WHEN WE GO. THIS IS ABSOLUTELY NOT TRUE. NEITHER I NOR  
13 ANY OF MY CO- WORKERS FROM Q.T.S. WERE TOLD THE COMPANY WAS  
14 FILING BANKRUPTCY AND WE WERE NOT ALLOWED TO REMOVE THE TRUCKS  
15 THEY CALLED, QUOTE/UNQUOTE "OURS" FROM THE YARD.

16  
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU WANT TO CONCLUDE YOUR LAST  
18 STATEMENT?

19  
20 **FELIX UMANA:** ON BEHALF OF MYSELF, MY FAMILY, EVERY DRIVER  
21 WHO'S BEEN LEFT ON THE STREETS BY Q.T.S. AND EVERY OTHER PORT  
22 TRUCK DRIVER, PLEASE USE YOUR POSITION TO DEMAND CHANGE. THANK  
23 YOU VERY MUCH.



1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP RANI  
2    NARULA WOODS. JULIE GUTMAN DICKINSON. AND SHEHERYAR KAOOSJI  
3    YES, SIR.

4  
5    **ALFREDO REYES:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ALFRED REYES AND I'VE  
6    BEEN A PORT TRUCK DRIVER AT THE PORTS OF L.A. AND LONG BEACH  
7    FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS. I WORK FOR THE X.P.O. LOGISTICS FREIGHT  
8    COMPANY, HARBOR RAIL TRANSPORT WHICH IS LOCATED IN THE  
9    UNINCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AT SOUTH ROYAL PARK ROAD  
10    IN RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. I, LIKE DANIEL, AM CLASSIFIED AS AN  
11    INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AND I'M ONE OF THE THOUSANDS WHO ARE  
12    FIGHTING FOR CHANGE AT THE PORTS. I FIRST WENT ON STRIKE LAST  
13    NOVEMBER TO PROTEST MISCLASSIFICATION; AND SINCE THEN X.P.O.  
14    HAS BEEN RETALIATING AGAINST ME, CUTTING MY LOADS, AND I'VE  
15    BEEN FALLING FURTHER AND FURTHER INTO DEBT. I AM ONE OF MANY  
16    DRIVERS WHO HAVE FILED WAGE CLAIMS AND LAWSUITS AGAINST THE  
17    COMPANY FOR MISCLASSIFICATION. WE HAVE FILED LAWSUITS THAT  
18    AMOUNT TO POTENTIAL LIABILITIES OF MORE THAN \$5 MILLION. THE  
19    CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURT HAS RULED THAT X.P.O. OWES AN  
20    ADDITIONAL \$2.2 MILLION TO JUST SEVEN X.P.O. DRIVERS, MAKING  
21    THE POTENTIAL LIABILITY IN CALIFORNIA ALONE OF MORE THAN \$160  
22    MILLION. X.P.O.'S A HUGE, GLOBAL COMPANY, AND THERE IS NO  
23    QUESTION THAT THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO FOLLOW THE LAW. WHILE  
24    WE WERE ON STRIKE A FEW WEEKS AGO, X.P.O. ANNOUNCED THEY WERE  
25    SPENDING 3-1/2 BILLION DOLLARS TO BUY A FRENCH COMPANY. DAYS



1 LATER, THEY ANNOUNCED THE PURCHASE OF ANOTHER U.S. FREIGHT  
2 COMPANY, BRIDGE TERMINAL TRANSPORT FOR \$100 MILLION. WE  
3 BELIEVE THAT THE MONEY THEY'RE SPENDING BUYING OTHER COMPANIES  
4 AND PASSING ON TO SHAREHOLDERS IS MONEY THEY HAVE STOLEN OUT  
5 OF OUR POCKETS RIGHT HERE IN UNINCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS  
6 ANGELES. WE REFUSE TO BACK DOWN. DURING THE STRIKE, A COMPANY  
7 OFFICIAL WALKED UP TO ME ON THE PICKET LINE IN RANCHO  
8 DOMINGUEZ AND OFFERED ME \$20,000 TO WALK OFF THE PICKET LINE  
9 AND GO BACK TO WORK. I REFUSED AND TOLD HIM THAT IF HE HAS  
10 SOMETHING TO OFFER, HE SHOULD CALL THE TEAMSTERS BECAUSE ONE  
11 DAY SOON WE WILL WIN AND I WILL BE ABLE TO JOIN THE UNION.  
12 PLEASE, I URGE YOU, LISTEN TO US AND THE ATTORNEYS WITH OPEN  
13 HEARTS TODAY. THESE COMPANIES ARE LAWLESS. THESE COMPANIES ARE  
14 KNOWINGLY BREAKING THE LAW FOR PROFIT, AND THEY ARE DOING IT  
15 RIGHT HERE IN YOUR COUNTY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

16  
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

18  
19 **RANI NARULA WOODS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. IT IS QUITE AN  
20 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE WITH YOU. JUST A FEW BLOCKS DOWN THE  
21 WAY IN CITY HALL CHAMBERS, THE MOST WIDE SWEEPING LEGISLATIVE  
22 STEP TOWARDS WAGE EQUALITY AND WAGE THEFT PROTECTION IN OUR  
23 NATION IS TAKING PLACE. MY NAME IS RANI NARULA WOODS AND I AM  
24 THE DEPUTY POLITICAL DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
25 FEDERATION OF LABOR, A.F.L.-C.I.O. AS YOU KNOW, LOS ANGELES IS



1 THE WAGE THEFT CAPITAL OF THE COUNTRY. IN THE PORTS OF LOS  
2 ANGELES AND LONG BEACH, THIS RINGS PARTICULARLY TRUE.  
3 MISCLASSIFICATION OF PORT TRUCK DRIVERS AS INDEPENDENT  
4 CONTRACTORS RATHER THAN EMPLOYEES IS A CRITICAL PROBLEM FOR  
5 THE WORKING FAMILIES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. UNDER THIS  
6 MISCLASSIFICATION, THESE WORKERS ARE NOT ENTITLED TO MINIMUM  
7 WAGE, WORKER'S COMPENSATION OR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE. IN SOME  
8 CASES, THE RESULTS ARE DEVASTATING. THAT SAID, WE ARE HOPEFUL,  
9 AS WE HAVE SEEN COURTS RULE ON THIS MISCLASSIFICATION, AND IN  
10 FACT THIS HAS LED TO WORKERS GAINING MEDICAL INSURANCE AND  
11 PAID LEAVE ALIKE. AS SUPERVISORS, YOU SIT IN AN IMPORTANT  
12 POSITION TO IMPACT THE LIVES OF WORKING PEOPLE IN THE  
13 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THIS COUNTY. WE SUPPORT THE PROPOSED  
14 COUNTY ACTIONS, INCLUDING PROHIBITING COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FROM  
15 CONTRACTING WITH COMPANIES WITH WAGE AND HOUR LAW VIOLATIONS.  
16 AS LEADERS, WE HOPE YOU WILL STAND TOGETHER TO ENFORCE THOSE  
17 VERY PROTECTIONS, WHETHER YOUR ADVOCACY LEADS YOU TO AN  
18 OVERSIGHT AGENCY OR TO THE STEPS OF OUR STATE CAPITOL. THANK  
19 YOU.

20  
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP WESTON  
22 LABAR. AND GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YES, MA'AM.

23  
24 **JULIE GUTMAN-DICKINSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS.  
25 MY NAME IS JULIE GUTMAN- DICKINSON AND I AM LOCAL COUNSEL FOR



1 THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS PORT DIVISION. AND  
2 I ALSO AM AN ATTORNEY FOR A NUMBER OF THE PORT DRIVERS, AS  
3 WELL. FOR THE PAST FOUR DECADES, THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF  
4 PORT TRUCK DRIVERS LIKE DANIEL, ALFREDO AND FELIX HAD BEEN  
5 MISCLASSIFIED AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. THEY HAVE BEEN  
6 RUTHLESSLY EXPLOITED IN AN INDUSTRY THAT HAS ACCURATELY BEEN  
7 DESCRIBED AS SWEAT SHOPS ON WHEELS. WHY HAVE SO MANY TRUCKING  
8 COMPANIES ILLEGALLY MISCLASSIFIED DRIVERS AS INDEPENDENT  
9 CONTRACTORS AND CREATED THESE SWEAT SHOPS ON WHEELS? THE  
10 ANSWER IS QUITE CLEAR. THEY HAVE BEEN LIKE ROBBER BARONS  
11 GETTING AWAY WITH BREAKING THE LAW FOR PROFIT, MAKING MONEY ON  
12 THE BACKS OF TAXPAYERS BY AVOIDING HIGH PAYROLL TAXES, COSTLY  
13 PAYMENTS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, DISABILITY INSURANCE,  
14 WORKER'S COMPENSATION, MAKING MONEY OFF THE BACKS OF DRIVERS  
15 THROUGH HUGE DEDUCTIONS, PAYMENTS FOR TRUCK LEASES, FUEL,  
16 REPAIRS, PARKING MAINTENANCE, INSURANCE AND OTHER ITEMS THAT  
17 THEY DEDUCT FROM THE DRIVERS' PAYCHECKS. AND MANY OF THESE  
18 COMPANIES ARE, IN FACT, IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THIS  
19 COUNTY, WHICH YOU ALL DO HAVE JURISDICTION OVER. IRONICALLY,  
20 AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE WORK TO RAISE THE MINIMUM WAGE TO  
21 BRING HARD WORKING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY OUT OF POVERTY,  
22 THERE REMAIN THOUSANDS OF MISCLASSIFIED DRIVERS WORKING BELOW  
23 THE CURRENT MINIMUM WAGE AND SOME WEEKS EVEN RECEIVING  
24 NEGATIVE PAYCHECKS. IMAGINE THAT. THESE COURAGEOUS DRIVERS  
25 ACTUALLY OWE MONEY TO THE TRUCKING COMPANIES, OWE MONEY



1 BECAUSE THE UNLAWFUL DEDUCTIONS FROM THEIR PAYCHECKS FOR THE  
2 USE OF THEIR TRUCK, FOR FUEL, FOR REPAIRS, FOR MAINTENANCE,  
3 FOR INSURANCE, THESE UNLAWFUL DEDUCTIONS ARE MORE THAN WHAT  
4 THEY EARN DURING THE 40, 50 OR 60 HOURS PER WEEK THAT THEY  
5 WORK.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WANT TO WRAP IT UP?

8

9 **JULIE GUTMAN DICKINSON:** YES. I WOULD CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO  
10 LOOKING AT THE ACTUAL INSTANCES OF NEGATIVE PAY CHECKS IN THE  
11 DOCUMENTS HERE. AND FINALLY I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT WE  
12 APPRECIATE ALL THE FIVE ACTIONS THAT THIS BOARD IS INTENDING  
13 TO MOVE FORWARD WITH AND WOULD PARTICULARLY SAY THAT BECAUSE  
14 YOU DO HAVE JURISDICTION OVER THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THE  
15 POWER TO ISSUE OR REVOKE A BUSINESS LICENSE OF A COMPANY THAT  
16 IS FOUND TO BE IN VIOLATION OF LABOR LAW IS WITHIN YOUR  
17 PURVIEW.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **JULIE GUTMAN DICKINSON:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL? SHE'S  
24 NOT HERE. ROBERT LUCAS? AND ARNOLD SACHS. YES, SIR.

25





1   **SHEHERYAR KAOOSJI:** HI, MY NAME SHERHERYAR KAOOSJI OF THE LOS  
2   ANGELES ALLIANCE FOR ECONOMY. THANK YOU FOR HAVING US. I JUST  
3   WANTED TO SPEAK A LITTLE BIT TO SOME OF THE BIGGER PICTURE  
4   ISSUES, ESPECIALLY AROUND THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF  
5   MISCLASSIFICATION. L.A.A.N.E. HAS BEEN WORKING WITH DRIVERS  
6   AND STUDYING THIS INDUSTRY SINCE 2007. PART OF THE EXHIBIT IN  
7   YOUR BOOK HERE IS A LONG REPORT STARTING ABOUT A THIRD OF THE  
8   WAY INTO THE BOOK CALLED "THE BIG RIG." AND ON PAGE 4 OF THAT  
9   IS THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY WHERE YOU'LL SEE SOME DETAILS THAT  
10   I'LL GO THROUGH. SPECIFICALLY, THE AVERAGE WAGE THEFT THAT  
11   OCCURS AMONG PORT DRIVERS ILLEGALLY MISCLASSIFIED IS \$5,000  
12   PER MONTH. I THINK THERE'S NO OTHER INDUSTRY, THERE'S NO OTHER  
13   SECTOR OF THE ECONOMY WHERE YOU SEE THAT SCALE OF WAGE THEFT  
14   OCCURRING ON A REGULAR BASIS. AND AGAIN AS JULIE MENTIONED, IF  
15   YOU LOOK AT THE PAYCHECKS, YOU SEE CONSISTENTLY ILLEGAL  
16   DEDUCTIONS THAT TAKE UP THE BULK OF THEIR INCOME. THIS IS A  
17   SECTOR OF THE ECONOMY THAT'S CRITICAL TO OUR REGIONAL AND  
18   NATIONAL ECONOMY. OVER 192,000 JOBS IN L.A. COUNTY ARE  
19   DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY RELATED TO THE PORT. OVER 3 MILLION  
20   JOBS NATIONWIDE RELATED TO THE PORTS OF LOS ANGELES AND LONG  
21   BEACH. IN ADDITION, THE REPORT POINTS OUT THAT IT'S ESTIMATED  
22   \$850 MILLION EVERY YEAR IS STOLEN FROM DRIVERS ACROSS  
23   CALIFORNIA. THE VAST MAJORITY OF THOSE DRIVERS ARE HERE IN  
24   SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AGAIN, CLOSE TO A BILLION DOLLARS IN WAGE  
25   THEFT EVERY YEAR. \$563 MILLION EACH YEAR IN LOST CONTRIBUTIONS



1 TO UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, TO WORKER'S COMPENSATION AND INCOME  
2 TAX. THAT'S MONEY THAT'S COMING DIRECTLY OUT OF THE COFFERS OF  
3 STATE, COUNTY AND FEDERAL AGENCIES. THIS IS A SECTOR THAT  
4 NEEDS REFORM. THESE ARE MISCLASSIFIED DRIVERS WHO ARE-- THERE  
5 IS A LEGITIMATE WAY TO HAVE INDEPENDENT OWNER/OPERATORS. THIS  
6 IS NOT THE LEGITIMATE WAY TO DO THAT THESE ARE MISCLASSIFIED  
7 DRIVERS AND THE LAW HAS SHOWN IT.

8  
9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION. HOW DO YOU  
10 GET A NEGATIVE PAYCHECK?

11  
12 **SHEHERYAR KAOOSJI:** THE DRIVERS WOULD BE ABLE TO TELL YOU THAT  
13 MORE SPECIFICALLY. BUT IF YOU LOOK AT SOME OF THESE NEGATIVE  
14 PAYCHECKS HERE IN THE BOOK?

15  
16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT PAGE ARE THEY ON?

17  
18 **SHEHERYAR KAOOSJI:** THEY'RE NOT NUMBERED. BUT THERE'S SECTIONS  
19 OF PAYCHECKS OF MISCLASSIFIED DRIVERS, ABOUT 15 PAGES IN. IF  
20 YOU GO THROUGH, THEY HAVE WHAT'S CALLED A SETTLEMENT  
21 STATEMENT. IT GOES THROUGH THE SPECIFICS OF THE DEDUCTIONS. SO  
22 IF YOU LOOK AT THIS ONE THAT SAYS HUMBERTO CANALS PACER. IT  
23 GOES THROUGH EACH OF HIS INDIVIDUAL TRIPS. HOW MUCH MONEY HE  
24 MADE FROM THIS ONE. SO THIS FIRST ONE, THE INDUSTRY OF  
25 INDUSTRY, \$152 CAME IN. AND IF YOU TURN THE PAGE, IT GOES



1 THROUGH THE DEDUCTIONS, THE NEGATIVE. SO THERE'S FUEL. THERE'S  
2 C.T.P., WHICH IS LICENSING FEE FOR THE CLEAN TRUCK PROGRAM.  
3 PHYSICAL DAMAGE WHICH IS MAINTENANCE OF THE TRUCK. THIS IS A  
4 TRUCK THAT IS OWNED BY PACER. THE TRUCK DRIVER HAS NO  
5 RELATIONSHIP WITH THIS TRUCK. HE PAYS FOR THE FUEL, PHYSICAL  
6 DAMAGE, TRUCK LIABILITY, WHICH IS THE INSURANCE, AS WELL AS A  
7 LEASE ON THAT TRUCK. SO THAT ALL PUTS HIM IN THIS CASE TO 0.  
8 AND HE ACTUALLY, IF THEY OWE MONEY, THEY TAKE IT OUT OF HIS  
9 NEXT WEEK'S PAYCHECK.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

12

13 **WESTON LABAR:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS WESTON LABAR AND I AM  
14 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HARBOR TRUCKING ASSOCIATION. WE  
15 REPRESENT ROUGHLY 100 TRUCKING COMPANIES OPERATING 6,000  
16 TRUCKS IN CALIFORNIA'S PORTS. I'M HERE TODAY TO TALK ABOUT  
17 THIS AS A WHOLE A LITTLE BIT MORE. MISCLASSIFICATION IS A BIG  
18 ISSUE, APPARENTLY. AND ONE OF THE THINGS WE NEED TO LOOK AT,  
19 WE HAVE TAKEN THE STANCE OF SUPPORTING COMPANIES TO MAKE THE  
20 BUSINESS DECISION TO OPERATE HOW THEY SEE FIT. IF YOU LOOK AT  
21 THE FIGURES, THERE'S ROUGHLY 16,000 REGISTERED TRUCK DRIVERS  
22 IN THE PORT OF L.A./LONG BEACH AND WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 550  
23 MISCLASSIFICATION LAWSUITS. YOU COMPARE THAT WITH WHAT WE HEAR  
24 IN THE INDUSTRY WITH INTERNAL POLLS AS WELL AS THE JOHN  
25 HOUSTON STUDY CONDUCTED BY THE PORTS OF L.A. AND LONG BEACH



1 AND SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 80 AND 90 PERCENT OF OWNER/OPERATORS  
2 PREFER TO REMAIN OWNER/OPERATORS. MOST OF THIS IS BECAUSE THEY  
3 HAVE A GREATER ABILITY TO EARN MORE MONEY DEPENDING ON WHAT  
4 COMPANIES THEY OPERATE FOR. AND THEY ALSO HAVE GREATER FREEDOM  
5 OVER HOURS WORKED. THIS IS ONE OF THE BIG ISSUES THAT WE'VE  
6 SEEN IN RECENT WEEKS IS THAT NO MATTER WHAT COMPANY YOU WORK  
7 FOR, PRODUCTIVITY IS ESSENTIAL TO BEING ABLE TO MAKE A GOOD  
8 LIVING. AND AS WE KNOW, WE HAD SOME CONGESTION ISSUES AT THE  
9 PORT WHICH DID IMPACT INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS' ABILITY TO MAKE  
10 SOME MONEY. HOWEVER, A LOT OF THE COMPANIES THAT WE REPRESENT  
11 CHANGED THE WAY THAT THEY DO BUSINESS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE  
12 DIDN'T HAVE SOME OF THESE ISSUES THAT THE FOUR OR FIVE  
13 TARGETED COMPANIES ARE DEALING WITH. THE ISSUE THAT WE HAVE IS  
14 WHEN THERE IS ANY SORT OF SLOWDOWN IN PRODUCTIVITY, AND THAT  
15 INCLUDES LABOR UNREST, OUR DRIVERS AS OWNER/OPERATORS MAKE  
16 LESS MONEY BECAUSE THEY CANNOT GET IN AND OUT OF THE PORTS DUE  
17 TO THE OBSTRUCTIONS THAT THIS CREATES WHICH CONCERNS US. AND  
18 THE OTHER PART OF THAT THAT WE FIND VERY CONCERNING IS THAT A  
19 LOT OF THE PEOPLE THAT ARE ON PICKET LINES ARE NOT NECESSARILY  
20 PORT TRUCK DRIVERS IN L.A. AND LONG BEACH. MANY OF THEM ARE  
21 TEAMSTER MEMBERS THAT HAVE BEEN FLOWN IN FROM AROUND THE  
22 COUNTRY. AND A LOT OF THE PORTS WHERE THEY COME FROM,  
23 SAVANNAH, NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, HOUSTON, ARE PLACES OUR CARGO  
24 HAS BEEN DIVERTED, SPECIFICALLY RECENTLY DURING THE CONGESTION  
25 ISSUES.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** QUESTION. HOW MANY OF YOUR TRUCKERS  
3 THAT YOU REPRESENT HAVE THEIR EMPLOYEES RECEIVING A NEGATIVE  
4 CHECK?

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6 **WESTON LABAR:** I DON'T HAVE THAT FIGURE. I KNOW THAT THE  
7 MAJORITY OF OUR COMPANIES DO NOT HAVE ISSUES WITH  
8 MISCLASSIFICATION. IT SEEMS TO BE ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE COMPANIES  
9 THAT HAVE BEEN TARGETED UNDER THESE ISSUES. AND I KNOW  
10 SPEAKING WITH MANY OF OUR-- ESPECIALLY THE MEMBERS OF OUR  
11 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THEY'VE IMPLEMENTED A LOT OF DIFFERENT  
12 THINGS, SUCH AS PORT CONGESTION FEES, DRIVER WAIT TIME AND  
13 OTHER THINGS TO HELP MITIGATE THE THREE TO FOUR TURNS A DAY  
14 WHICH THE PORTS PROMISED THEM WHEN THE CLEAN TRUCKS PROGRAM  
15 CAME INTO PLACE IN 2008.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHAT HAS THE TRUCKERS' ASSOCIATION  
18 DONE TO HELP THE DRIVERS ECONOMICALLY?

19

20 **WESTON LABAR:** WE'VE DONE A FEW THINGS ACTUALLY. I KNOW CERTAIN  
21 COMPANIES, IT WAS ALLUDED TO, CERTAIN COMPANIES PUT LEASING  
22 PROGRAMS INTO PLACE WITH TRUCK DRIVERS. AND LAST YEAR THERE  
23 WERE SEVERAL COMPANIES THAT GAVE AWAY OVER 100 TRUCKS TO TRUCK  
24 DRIVERS THAT EARNED THOSE THROUGH THE LEASING PROCESS AND THAT  
25 THEY THEN HAVE AN ASSET WORTH 70 TO 80,000 WORTH OF CASH. THE



1 ASSOCIATION, WE HAVE PUT TOGETHER IN 2013 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
2 LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE, WE STARTED THE HARBOR TRUCK DRIVING  
3 TRAINING PROGRAM. TO DATE WE'VE GRADUATED ROUGHLY 100 PEOPLE  
4 AND WE JUST RECEIVED ANOTHER GRANT TO GRADUATE 300 MORE PEOPLE  
5 OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS, INCLUDING 25 PERCENT WOMEN DRIVERS,  
6 WHICH WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT. WHAT WE DO WITH THIS PROGRAM  
7 IS NOT JUST TEACH THEM HOW TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PORTS, BUT WE  
8 ALSO HELP THEM WITH THE CONTRACT ASPECTS TO BETTER PROTECT  
9 THEMSELVES AS AN OWNER/OPERATOR TO MAKE SURE THEY'RE PUTTING  
10 THEMSELVES IN A GOOD POSITION AS AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.

11  
12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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14 **WESTON LABAR:** THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. LUCAS?

17  
18 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. YOU KNOW, IN THE '80S, I MEAN  
19 IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, BUT THIS IS A MESS. I LEFT DRIVING A  
20 TRUCK BECAUSE OF WHAT THIS HAS COME TO BE. AND I'LL TELL YOU  
21 WHAT I EXPERIENCED IN FIVE YEARS, AND I'VE DRIVEN EVERY TYPE  
22 OF TRUCK EXCEPT HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, I REFUSED TO DO IT. THE  
23 THING ABOUT IT IS THERE'S A FAVOR BANK WITH SOME OF THESE  
24 DISPATCHERS, THE PORTS, THESE INDEPENDENT COMPANIES BECAUSE  
25 WHEN YOU SAY "INDEPENDENT DRIVERS", THAT TELLS ME



1 OWNER/OPERATOR. HE HAS HIS OWN TRUCK. HE TAKES CARE OF HIS OWN  
2 MAINTENANCE THROUGH A MAINTENANCE COMPANY THAT PROVIDED HIM  
3 WITH THE TRUCK AND THE FINANCING. FOR A COMPANY TO PUT A LABEL  
4 OF AN INDEPENDENT DRIVER OUT OF SOMEBODY THAT GOES TO THEIR  
5 YARD ON A DAILY BASIS AND USES THEIR EQUIPMENT, THAT SOUNDS  
6 LIKE FRAUD, TO ME. TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SO  
7 DESPERATE FOR A JOB, SO HUNGRY FOR A PAYCHECK THAT THEY TAKE  
8 ADVANTAGE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL AND THEIR FAMILY AND EVERYBODY  
9 THEY KNOW SO THEY CAN STUFF THEIR POCKETS AND PUT THESE LOADS  
10 OUT TO PREFERRED INDIVIDUALS? THEY OUGHT TO BE IN JAIL.

11  
12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] MR. SACHS.

13  
14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.  
15 WAGE THEFT CAPITAL OF THE COUNTRY. IF YOU GIVE THEM MORE MONEY  
16 AND YOU DON'T ADDRESS THE WAGE THEFT, THEY'RE JUST GOING TO  
17 STEAL MORE MONEY. THERE'S SO MUCH TO TALK ABOUT HERE. SOMEBODY  
18 MENTIONED 40 YEARS, FOUR DECADES OF THIS FARCE GOING ON. AND I  
19 HAD WRITTEN DOWN ACTUALLY 75 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE AMONGST  
20 THE BOARD MEMBERS. FIVE BOARD MEMBERS. 15 YEARS. THAT'S GOING  
21 BACK TO 2000. THEY MANAGED IT FOR A DECADE. THAT'S 200 YEARS  
22 OF GOVERNMENT SERVICE AMONGST THE FIVE OF YOU, GIVE OR TAKE  
23 MAYBE 50. AND NOW THE LIGHT BULB WENT OFF. WOOEY, WOOEY,  
24 WOOEY. HAVE YOU READ THIS ABOUT CHEERLEADERS GET LABOR  
25 PROTECTION? A.B.202, CHEERLEADERS NOW HAVE-- PROFESSIONAL



1 CHEERLEADERS, LONG-STANDING. THEY HAVE THE SAME, THEY'RE NOT  
2 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. THIS ONE, DANCERS AWARDED 6.5 MILLION  
3 FROM 4/24. THE 249 DANCERS SAID THEY WERE EMPLOYEES NOT  
4 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. JUDGE WROTE THAT ONE. L.A. FIRM  
5 ACCUSED OF PAYROLL FRAUD. THEY'RE STEALING FROM THE WORKERS'  
6 COMPENSATION. SO SOMEBODY MENTIONED THE MISCLASSIFICATION. THE  
7 QUESTION IS NOT WHY THEY'RE MISCLASSIFICATION; THE QUESTION IS  
8 WHY THEY'RE BEING ALLOWED 200 YEARS OF LEGISLATIVE BRILLIANCE  
9 SITTING UP HERE AND THEY'RE STILL BEING ALLOWED TO MISCLASSIFY  
10 DRIVERS. WHAT YOU BEEN DOING LATELY? WE BEEN FIGHTING FOR THIS  
11 ECONOMIC ENGINE. THE CITY OF L.A. LABELS THE PORT OF L.A. AS A  
12 PROPRIETARY DEPARTMENT. THEY DON'T HAVE-- THE CITY COUNCIL  
13 DOESN'T HAVE OVERSIGHT. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE LONG-- AND THE  
14 OTHER PORTS OF CALIFORNIA. DO THEY HAVE THE SAME PROBLEM?  
15 16,000 DRIVERS IN L.A. WHAT ABOUT SAN FRANCISCO? WHAT ABOUT  
16 SAN DIEGO?

17  
18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS.

19  
20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OTHER PORTS COVERED BY THE CONTRACTS. WHAT ABOUT  
21 THE OTHER PORTS? WHY DON'T YOU REPORT BACK ON THAT, TOO?

22  
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?





1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. WE'VE MADE A MOTION  
2   THAT WOULD ESSENTIALLY WOULD ACCEPT THE REPORT FROM THE  
3   DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND THE WORK THAT  
4   THEY'VE DONE IN TANDEM WITH THE COUNTY COUNSEL AS WELL AS THE  
5   ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE THAT I'VE READ IN AND WITH YOUR  
6   PERMISSION, MR. MAYOR, I WOULD SO MOVE.

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8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND. ALSO THE  
9   ADDITION, IT'S A REPORT BACK SO WE KNOW WHAT THE FUNDING, THE  
10   SOURCE OF THE FUNDING, THE SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S ASKING COUNTY  
11   COUNSEL WHAT TYPE OF LEGAL ADVICE IS POSSIBLE TO BE RENDERED.

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13   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. AND ALL OF IT COMES BACK.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT'S ALL A REPORT BACK. WITHOUT  
16   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

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20   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MARK, YOU'RE NUMBER ONE FOR  
21   ADJOURNMENTS.

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23   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WE  
24   ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF BRAD PYE III, BORN MAY 22, 1954  
25   HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND PASSED AWAY ON MAY THE 12TH AT THE AGE



1 OF 61. HE GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL IN 1962. HE ENLISTED IN  
2 THE UNITED STATES NAVY AND WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED AFTER FOUR  
3 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION. HE WAS A MEMBER OF NEW VISION  
4 MINISTRIES IN LOS ANGELES WHERE HE SANG IN THE CHOIR. HE WILL  
5 BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS LOVE FOR HIS SINGING AND COOKING. HE IS  
6 SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, EUNICE, AND HIS SISTERS DENISE AND  
7 JILL AND THE HOST OF NIECES AND NEPHEWS WHO WILL MISS HIM  
8 DEARLY. ADDITIONALLY, MR. MAYOR, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN  
9 MEMORY OF MR. PHILLIPS, THAT IS BENNIE CARL PHILLIPS. HE WAS  
10 BORN ON OCTOBER 29, 1945 IN HOLLENDALE, MISSISSIPPI. HE PASSED  
11 ON APRIL 25 AT THE AGE OF 70. AFTER GRADUATING FROM HIGH  
12 SCHOOL, HE ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND SERVED ONE  
13 TOUR OF DUTY IN VIETNAM. IN 1967, HE MARRIED HIS CHILDHOOD  
14 SWEETHEART, LURLENE JOYCE AND THEY HAD TWO CHILDREN. HE  
15 RETURNED TO SERVE ANOTHER TOUR PRIOR TO MOVING TO LOS ANGELES.  
16 HE EARNED HIS ASSOCIATE'S OF ARTS DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY FROM LOS  
17 ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE. HE WAS A SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL  
18 MOTORS FOR ALMOST 30 YEARS. AND AFTER WORKING AT TWO PLANTS IN  
19 LOS ANGELES, HE MOVED TO TENNESSEE TO WORK AT G.M.'S SATURN  
20 PLANT. AFTER RETIRING, HE MOVED BACK TO LOS ANGELES AND BECAME  
21 A SUPERINTENDENT FOR AN APARTMENT COMPLEX. AND HE WILL BE  
22 REMEMBERED FOR HIS LOVE OF COOKING AND HIS GREAT SENSE OF  
23 HUMOR AND HIS ABILITY TO TELL RATHER EXTRAORDINARY STORIES. HE  
24 IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, MARY LEE, HIS WIFE LERLENE, HIS  
25 CHILDREN ROSALIND AND ORLICK AND HIS SIX GRANDCHILDREN AS WELL



1 AS HIS TWO SISTERS AND ONE BROTHER, A HOST OF FAMILY MEMBERS  
2 AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. AND, FINALLY, MR. MAYOR  
3 AND COLLEAGUES, I'D ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME IN MEMORY AS  
4 WE ADJOURN. RILEY B. KING, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS B.B. KING. BORN  
5 ON SEPTEMBER THE 16TH IN 1925 ON A COTTON PLANTATION IN  
6 MISSISSIPPI. HE PASSED AWAY IN LAS VEGAS LAST WEEK, MAY 14TH,  
7 AT THE AGE OF 89. AS A YOUNG TEENAGER, HE PICKED 500 POUNDS OF  
8 COTTON PER DAY AND EARNED 35 CENTS FOR EVERY 100 POUNDS. AFTER  
9 SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN WORLD WAR II, HE DROVE A  
10 TRACTOR FOR THE PLANTATION AND MADE \$22.50 A DAY. FOR WORKING  
11 ON A PLANTATION, MR. KING BOUGHT HIS FIRST GUITAR, WHICH HE  
12 LATER NAMED LUCILLE. HE LEARNED TO PLAY MUSIC SO THAT HE COULD  
13 PLAY AND SING GOSPEL SONGS IN HIS LOCAL CHURCH. WELL IN 1946  
14 HE MOVED FROM MISSISSIPPI TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE WHERE HE  
15 PERFORMED WITH NOTABLE MUSICIANS INCLUDING BOBBY BLUEBLAND AND  
16 PIANIST, DONNY ACE. MR. KING BECAME KNOWN AS BLUES BOY OF  
17 BEALE STREET. AND THEN THE BEALE STREET BLUES BOY, AND LATER  
18 B.B. KING. 1949 HE SIGNED WITH BULLET RECORDS IN MEMPHIS AND  
19 RECORDED HITS SUCH AS "I'VE GOT THE BLUES. "AND "3 O'CLOCK  
20 BLUES" WHICH REMAINED AT THE TOP OF THE BILLBOARD'S R&B CHARTS  
21 FOR SOME FIVE WEEKS. ONE OF HIS BIGGEST HITS, AND I SUSPECT  
22 ALL OF US COULD RESPOND IN UNISON AS TO WHAT THAT IS, "THE  
23 THRILL IS GONE." BY THE 1980S, HE RECORDED MORE THAN 50  
24 ALBUMS. AND IN 1987 HE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE ROCK AND ROLL  
25 HALL OF FAME. HE RECEIVED SEVERAL PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS,



1 INCLUDING THE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE NATIONAL  
2 ACADEMY OF RECORDING ARTISTS, ARTS AND SCIENCES, THE  
3 PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM, THE NATIONAL HERITAGE  
4 FELLOWSHIP FROM THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT OF THE ARTS. HE WILL BE  
5 REMEMBERED FOR THE SOPHISTICATION THAT HE BROUGHT TO THE  
6 BLUES. AN AMAZING DETERMINATION THAT MADE HIM A LEGEND. HE  
7 WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE AS A ROLE MODEL TO MANY BY THE WAY HE  
8 LED HIS LIFE, FROM HIS MODEST BEGINNINGS TO BECOMING AN  
9 INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL ICON. HE IS SURVIVED BY MANY FAMILY,  
10 FRIENDS AND FANS WHO WILL OBVIOUSLY MISS HIM. B.B. KING, MR.  
11 MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES. ALL MEMBERS.

12  
13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF  
14 MEETING HIM AND HEARING SOME OF HIS CONCERTS. AND HE WAS A  
15 GREAT, TALENTED MUSICIAN AND INVOLVED IN HELPING HIS  
16 COMMUNITY. HE WAS A GOOD MAN. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

17  
18 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES. I MOVE WHEN  
19 WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A REALLY UNIQUE AND  
20 WONDERFUL WOMAN, RACHEL ROSENTHAL. A PIONEERING PERFORMANCE  
21 ARTIST AND LONG TIME RESIDENT OF WEST L.A. RECENTLY PASSED  
22 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. SHE SHAVED HER HEAD AT ONE OF HER  
23 PERFORMANCES AND SHE DECIDED SHE REALLY LIKED THAT LOOK AND  
24 KEPT A SIGNATURE BALD HEAD ALL HER LIFE, COLORFUL MAKEUP HAVE  
25 WHEN I SAY MULTIPLE EARRINGS IT DOESN'T EVEN BEGIN TO TELL YOU



1 THE NUMBER THAT SHE MANAGED TO STUD IN HER EAR. SHE WAS AN  
2 AMAZING LOOKING PERSON AND A GREAT PERFORMER. SHE WAS A  
3 FAMILIAR PRESENCE ON THE ARTS SCENE IN L.A., ESPECIALLY IN THE  
4 1970, '80S AND '90S. SHE PERFORMED AT A VARIETY OF VENUES  
5 INCLUDING THE MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART. SHE WAS BORN IN  
6 PARIS TO RUSSIAN PARENTS, FLED WITH HER FAMILY TO ESCAPE WORLD  
7 WAR II, MOVING TO BRAZIL AND EVENTUALLY SETTLING IN NEW YORK  
8 IN 1941. SHE STUDIED ART IN THE UNITED STATES AND FRANCE  
9 BEFORE MOVING TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IN 1955. SHE WAS ACTIVE  
10 IN THE L.A. CULTURAL SCENE, CREATING THE INSTANT THEATER AND  
11 JOINING THE FEMINIST ART MOVEMENT THAT TOOK OFF IN THE 1970S.  
12 ROSENTHAL BEGAN TEACHING PERFORMANCE IN HER STUDIO IN 1979 AND  
13 WENT ON TO TEACH AND LECTURE AT MANY UNIVERSITIES AROUND THE  
14 COUNTRY. IN 1989, SHE FOUNDED THE RACHEL ROSENTHAL COMPANY  
15 DEVOTED TO REDEFINING THE BOUNDARIES OF THEATER BY PRESENTING  
16 THOUGHT-PROVOKING, EXPERIMENTAL WORKS ENCOMPASSING VISUAL AND  
17 PERFORMING ARTS AND TO COMMUNICATE RELEVANT SOCIAL,  
18 ENVIRONMENTAL, CULTURAL, GENDER AND SPIRITUAL ISSUES TO A  
19 BROAD PUBLIC. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER NEPHEW, ERIC LANDAU AND  
20 HER BELOVED DOG, FANNY. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

21  
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
23 SUPERVISOR KNABE?



1 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I FIRST OF  
2 ALL WOULD ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MICHELLE ALVAREZ WHO PASSED  
3 AWAY. SHE'S A RESIDENT OF ONTARIO. BELOVED NIECE TO MY FIELD  
4 DEPUTY ANGIE VALENZUELA. PASSED AWAY TRAGICALLY IN A CAR  
5 ACCIDENT THIS PAST WEEKEND. SHE WAS ONLY 23 YEARS OLD AND WAS  
6 TO GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE IN THREE WEEKS, AND IN JUNE 2015 FROM  
7 CAL STATE SAN BERNADINO. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER PARENTS EDDIE  
8 AND LUPITA, TWO BROTHERS AND ONE SISTER. WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND  
9 OUR CONDOLENCES TO ANGIE AND TO THE ENTIRE ALVAREZ FAMILY.  
10 TRAGEDY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN M MEMORY OF A LONG TIME  
11 FRIEND, PAUL FLOWERS WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF  
12 90. HE WAS THE MALIBU FIELD DEPUTY TO THE FORMER SUPERVISOR  
13 JIM HAZE. HE WAS INVOLVED IN MANY PLANNING ISSUES, VERY ACTIVE  
14 IN VARIOUS COMMUNITY GROUPS BUT WAS ALSO OUR APPOINTEE TO THE  
15 LOS ANGELES COUNTY APPEALS BOARD. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JUNE.  
16 HE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AND ALL  
17 MEMBERS I GUESS ON B.B. KING. AND I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
18 MEET HIM, AS WELL, IN SEVERAL CONCERTS, HIS LAST VISIT TO THE  
19 HOLLYWOOD BOWL, GOT TO SPEND SOME TIME WITH HIM. GREAT GUY,  
20 GREAT STORY TELLER. AND I THINK THAT CARTOON THAT WAS OUT THAT  
21 SHOWED A PICTURE OF LUCILLE THE GUITAR WITH NO CONNECTIONS  
22 SAID "THE THRILL IS GONE" AND THE THRILL IS GONE WITHOUT B.B.  
23 KING.

24



1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
2    LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. ROBERT BOB ST.  
3    CLAIR. HE WAS A FORMER MAYOR OF PALMDALE, PASSED AWAY AT THE  
4    AGE OF 91. HE WAS ONE OF THE FORMING COMMITTEE OF  
5    INCORPORATION FOR PALMDALE BACK IN THE EARLY YEARS. HE WAS  
6    COMMITTED TO INCORPORATE THAT CITY IN 1962. A GROUP OF THEM,  
7    INCLUDING A COLLEAGUE I SERVED WITH IN THE LEGISLATURE, LARRY  
8    CHIMBOLI, EACH PUT UP THE \$100 TO GET THE MONEY POSSIBLE TO GO  
9    FORWARD TO BE INCORPORATED. HE SERVE AS 12 YEARS AS A CITY  
10   COUNCILMAN AND MAYOR AND THEN HE SERVED ON THE SCHOOL BOARD  
11   FOR 16 YEARS. HE WAS ONE OF 12 FOUNDERS OF SWAN MEMORIAL  
12   HOSPITAL. AND BOB IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER SUZANNE AND  
13   THEIR THREE GRANDCHILDREN. VERY DEAR FRIEND WHOSE HUSBAND AND  
14   I WERE IN KIWANIS, FRANCES HOWE, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF  
15   GLENDALE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87. SHE AND HER HUSBAND ED  
16   BEGAN HOWE FLOORS OF GLENDALE 1968. AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY ED  
17   AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN, MARK, MATTHEW, CHRISTINE, CLAIRE AND  
18   HER SISTER HELEN. LAURA BAIRD-ROSENTHAL, FORMER L.A. COUNTY  
19   DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 50. SHE WAS A  
20   LEAD PROSECUTOR IN THE 1995 "ASIAN BOYZ" GANG CASE. SHE WAS  
21   NAMED PROSECUTOR OF THE YEAR IN 1999 BY THE ASSOCIATION OF  
22   DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS AND THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN PROSECUTORS.  
23   SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND RICHARD AND THEIR TWO SONS, HER  
24   MOTHER AND HER SISTER. JUDY FELDBUSH LONG TIME RESIDENT OF SAN  
25   DIMAS PASSED AWAY ON MAY 12TH FROM CANCER. SHE HAD VOLUNTEERED



1 FOR THE SAN DIMAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE SAN DIMAS FESTIVAL  
2 OF THE ARTS, THE SAN DIMAS HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND THE SAN  
3 DIMAS WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND  
4 A.F. "SHORTY" FILBUSH AND HER DAUGHTER SALLY AND SHORTY AND  
5 JUDY WERE QUITE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY AND GOOD ROLE  
6 MODELS. ANITA GORDON, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85. LONG TIME  
7 RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA. SHE HAD A VERY LONG CAREER IN THE  
8 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. SHE WAS A REGULAR SINGER ON THE KEN  
9 MURRAY SHOW AND THE TENNESSEE ERNIE FORD TELEVISION SHOW. SHE  
10 IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND HER THREE CHILDREN. DR. ESTLER  
11 JOHNSON PASSED AWAY ON MAY 15TH. HE HAD JOINED THE TOURNAMENT  
12 OF ROSES IN 1967 AND SERVED ON 7 COMMITTEES AND LATER CHAIRED  
13 8 MORE BEFORE BECOMING AN HONORARY DIRECTOR IN 1996. SANDRA  
14 MOORE, RETIRED CUSTODY RECORD CLERK FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
15 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PASSED AWAY ON MAY 11TH. RICARDO OLVERA,  
16 RETIRED PLUMBER WITH THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
17 PASSED AWAY ON MAY 3RD. HE HAD JOINED THE DEPARTMENT IN 1992  
18 AND RETIRED IN 2014. IRMA RAYAS, DEPUTY SHERIFF WITH THE LOS  
19 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HER LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS  
20 THE COMPTON STATION. KURT ULLMAN, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF THE  
21 ANTELOPE VALLEY, SERVED IN WORLD WAR II. PASSED AWAY AT THE  
22 AGE OF 94. HE HAD OPERATED HIS FAMILY FARM AND RANCH IN THE  
23 WESTERN ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE WAS THE FOUNDING MEMBER AND  
24 PRESIDENT OF RANCHERS' BANK AND SERVED ON THE BOARD OF WEST  
25 SIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND A 70-YEAR MEMBER OF THE ELKS LODGE.





1 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, DANA, GARY, JULIE, PAUL, AND  
2 SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN AND EIGHT GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. GUY EARL,  
3 RETIRED SERGEANT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE  
4 WAS ALSO A VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY. MARISSA LEIGH  
5 VASQUEZ TRAGICALLY DIED IN AN AUTOMOBILE COLLISION ON MAY 14.  
6 SHE WAS 32. SHE HAD JUST RECENTLY GRADUATED FROM NURSING  
7 SCHOOL AND WORKED AT CASA BONITA CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL. SHE IS  
8 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JULIO AND HER DAUGHTER MIKAELA AND  
9 STEP SONS JULIO AND JEREMIAH. AND A PERSON I SERVED WITH IN  
10 THE STATE LEGISLATURE, THE HONORABLE DICK MOUNTJOY, DICK WAS A  
11 FORMER STATE SENATOR AND MAYOR OF MONROVIA. HE PASSED AWAY AT  
12 THE AGE OF 83 ON MAY 18TH. AS I SAID, HE SERVED IN BOTH THE  
13 STATE ASSEMBLY AND THE STATE SENATE FOR OVER 20 YEARS. HE WAS  
14 UNITED STATES NAVY VETERAN DURING THE KOREAN WAR. AND HE IS  
15 SURVIVED BY HIS TWO SONS, DENNIS, MICHAEL AND DAUGHTER JUDY.  
16 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
17 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS? NO ADJOURNMENTS? OKAY. JOSE MARTINEZ?  
18 ROBERT LUCAS. EVELYN RAMOS. ERIC PREVEN. WILLIAM LAND III.  
19 FRANCISCO MARTINES. DAYVON WILLIAMS. NOE SALAZAR.

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21 **SPEAKER:** GREETINGS.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HOLD ON. OSCAR MOHAMAD. BRANDY BROWN.  
24 MARCO REYES. ANNABELLA MAZARIEGOS. DAVID SERRANO. MR. LUCAS  
25 THEN MR. PREVEN.



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2 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. YOU KNOW I'M VERY HAPPY.  
3 I'VE BEEN PUTTING SOMETHING TOGETHER FOR EVERYBODY FOR THIS  
4 A.B.109 THAT I'VE BEEN UP TO MY NECK IN FOR ALMOST 11 MONTHS.  
5 I'VE GOT A FILE PUT TOGETHER OF ALL OF THE THINGS THAT I'VE  
6 BEEN ASKED TO DO AND WHAT I'VE DONE IN ORDER TO GET WHERE I AM  
7 RIGHT NOW. NOW, I STILL HAVE ABOUT 30 DAYS, RIGHT? BUT I SEE  
8 LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL. AND YOU'RE GOING TO BE  
9 FASCINATED AT SOME OF THE STUFF THAT I'VE BEEN ASKED TO DO.  
10 WITH SUCH DISREGARD TO WHAT IT TOOK TO MAKE IT HAPPEN AND THE  
11 RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE IN ORDER TO TRY AND ACHIEVE SOME  
12 OF THESE SIMPLE TASKS, COMING FROM WHERE I COME FROM. ALSO, I  
13 WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY THAT PITCHED IN FOR THIS "WE ARE  
14 SHATTERPROOF." BECAUSE THERE'S A FEW PEOPLE IN MY LIFE THAT  
15 WOULD LIKE TO SEE ME JUMP OFF OF A 27-STORY BUILDING, BELIEVE  
16 ME. AND THIS IS COMING UP IN A MONTH. ALSO, IT'S REAL  
17 IMPORTANT FOR ME TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW THAT THE FEW HOURS THAT  
18 I SPEND HERE ON TUESDAY ARE PROBABLY SOME OF THE MOST VALUED  
19 MINUTES THAT I'VE BEEN ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN FOR PROBABLY THE  
20 FIRST TWO-THIRDS OF MY LIFE. AND I'VE FOUND A SENSE OF PASSION  
21 HERE AND SOMETIMES IT GETS A LITTLE ELECTRIC AND SOMETIMES IT  
22 CAN GENERATE SOME RESPONSE. BUT JUST TO LET YOU KNOW, EVERY  
23 CAUSE THAT IS JUST AND FOR EVERY DECISION THAT YOU MAKE, I  
24 FEEL EVERY ONE OF THEM. AND TO YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, FOR THE  
25 LIFE OF ME I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY I FEEL SO MUCH FOR YOU.



1 THERE'S GOT TO BE AN INTERSTELLAR CONNECTION HERE, I'M STILL  
2 TRYING TO FIGURE IT OUT.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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6 **OSCAR MOHAMAD:** MY NAME IS OSCAR MOHAMAD. I SPEAK FOR THE POOR.  
7 I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR. AND I SPEAK FOR THE  
8 OPPRESSED. SOME TYPE OF WAY THE PEOPLE OF FAITH BELIEVE IN  
9 MIRACLES. AND I WAS SPEAKING SOMETIME ABOUT END CORRUPTION IN  
10 GOVERNMENT. I SEE WE HAVE A NEW PRESIDENT, MR. BARACK OBAMA.  
11 HE HAS BEEN GOING AGAINST EVERYTHING THAT HAS BEEN DID IN  
12 WASHINGTON SINCE 200 YEARS. PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA TRYING TO  
13 BRING A NEW GOVERNMENT TO AMERICA. IF WE BRING A NEW  
14 GOVERNMENT TO AMERICA, WITH E COULD BRING A NEW GOVERNMENT TO  
15 THE WORLD. BUT, ANYWAY WE SHOULD END POLICE ABUSE. WE SHOULD  
16 END ABUSE OF HOMELESS ON THE SKID ROW. THE MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI  
17 IS THE AUTHORITY, HE'S ABUSING THE HOMELESS. WE SHOULD HAVE  
18 RESPECT FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE AUTHORITY OVER. AND I WAS  
19 LOOKING AT THE STATE FLAG OF KENTUCKY IN THE SOUTH WHEN I WAS  
20 SPEAKING ABOUT THE MUSLIM REFERS. IN THE TOP OF THE KENTUCKY  
21 STATE FLAG, IT SAID UNITED WE STAND. ON THE BOTTOM IT SAID  
22 DIVIDED WE FALL. AND IT ALSO SAID TWO MEN SHAKING HANDS. NO  
23 ONE SAID SHAKE HANDS TO THE LAST MENTION OF GOD MOHAMMED SAID  
24 SHAKE HANDS. AND WE SHOULD HAVE POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY.  
25 RESPONSIBILITY IS SOCIETY COME FROM GOD, OUR MORAL VALUE. HERE



1 RESPONSIBILITY IS FROM THE DEVIL. BUT, ANYWAY, WE HAVE TWO  
2 PEOPLES FIGHTING, TWO PEOPLE IN THE WAR OF ARMAGEDDON. GOD  
3 USES THE PEOPLE AND I GUESS SATAN USE THE PEOPLE. BUT, ANYWAY,  
4 THE MIRACLES IN AMERICA, 2 MILLION INDENTURED MUSLIMS HAVE  
5 BEEN CONVERTED TO ISLAM SINCE 1975 AND THERE'S THE BLACK  
6 MIDDLE CLASS AND IT'S ON THE INTERNET TELLING YOU HOW MANY  
7 STATES THEY COME FROM. AND THE NEW LEADERSHIP IN CHICAGO SAID  
8 HE WAS THE LEADER OF 2,500,000 MUSLIMS THAT HAD CAME FROM  
9 DECAYING LIKES TO TRUE RELIGION. BUT AMERICA WOULD BE A MUCH  
10 BETTER LAND IF WE COULD LIVE BY THE CONSTITUTION THAT GOVERNED  
11 US.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN.

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15 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, ERIC PREVEN COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3.  
16 MR. MAYOR, IF I MAY ASK, SIR, THE BUDGET HEARING, WHICH WAS  
17 FAR MORE ENGAGEMENT THAT THAN WE HAVE SEEN IN RECENT YEARS,  
18 BUT IT WAS TACKED ON INADVERTENTLY TO A VERY LONG MEETING  
19 HERE. SO BY THE TIME IT CAME ON THE TELEVISION IT WAS SORT OF  
20 4:00 IN THE MORNING WHICH IS EXPECTED.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OH, ON TELEVISION. YOU'RE TALKING  
23 ABOUT TELEVISION.



1   **ERIC PREVEN:** THE TELECAST WHEN IT GETS BROADCAST ON WEDNESDAY  
2   NIGHT. I WAS WONDERING SINCE THIS IS A MUCH SHORTER, CONCISE  
3   MEETING, THOUGH STILL FULL, IF WE COULD BROADCAST AGAIN  
4   BECAUSE SO MANY PEOPLE CAME OUT AND SPOKE. AND I LOOK FORWARD  
5   TO BUT THE MACHINES DON'T EVEN RECORD IT. SO IT'S WORTH  
6   MENTIONING TO THOSE GUYS WHO WITHOUT AN R.F.P. FOR MANY YEARS  
7   HAVE BEEN DOING A GREAT JOB. SO I WOULD ASK FOR THAT. I WOULD  
8   ALSO SAY THERE WERE A COUPLE ITEMS THAT WHIZZED BY THAT DIDN'T  
9   GET A CHANCE. I WANTED TO SAY BECAUSE I THINK MR.BERGOFF  
10   DESERVES RECOGNITION. ITEM NO. 24 TODAY WAS AN INTERESTING  
11   I.T. ITEM IN WHICH BOTH CISCO AND ORACLE, WHO HE HAS LOBBIED  
12   FOR BOTH OF THOSE FIRMS, SQUEEZED THROUGH A VERY SMALL NUMBER  
13   FOR WHAT THEY'RE ACCUSTOMED TO BUT IT WAS VERY, VERY  
14   IMPRESSIVE WORK. AND ITEM NO. 13 I TRIED TO GET TO WAS MR.  
15   SALADINO, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, IS PRESIDING OVER A FAIRLY LARGE  
16   GROUP, AS YOU KNOW. THERE ARE SEVERAL DIVISIONS, GENERAL  
17   LITIGATION, A BUNCH OF THEM. APPARENTLY WE'RE ADDING 12,000  
18   SQUARE FOOTAGE FOR THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO A FACILITY THAT  
19   ALREADY EXISTS OVER AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTER, WHICH  
20   COINCIDENTALLY ONCE CAUGHT MY UNDERSTANDING IS A JAMISON  
21   GROUP. JAMISON ARE TERRIFIC. THEY HAVE A WIDE FOOTPRINT OF  
22   REAL ESTATE DOWNTOWN. I WAS JUST WONDERING WHY IT IS THAT  
23   WE'RE BUMPING UP,-- IS THE 12,000 SQUARE FEET ADDITIONAL SPACE  
24   FOR THE GENERAL LITIGATION DIVISION AN ADD ON? IS MR. RIDLEY-  
25   THOMAS'S OF CLEARING OUT THE SIXTH FLOOR AND REDOING IT



1 HAPPENING? I WAS JUST WONDERING IF THE PUBLIC COULD HAVE A  
2 SENSE OF WHY, BECUASE IT DIDN'T SAY IN THE PARTICULAR ITEM BUT  
3 IT DID SAY WE WERE ADDING ADDITIONAL SPACE. SO WITH THAT ENJOY  
4 THE WEEKEND. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARNOLD SACHS. YES, MA'AM.

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8 **ANNABELLA MAZARIEGOS:** MY NAME IS ANNABELLA MAZARIEGOS. I'M A  
9 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES EMPLOYEE. I'M SORRY. GOOD AFTERNOON, MR.  
10 MAYOR, GOOD AFTERNOON, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. I'M SO NERVOUS.  
11 I'M A COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES EMPLOYEE. I AM IN THE MIDDLE OF  
12 THE TRIAL. I WAS ABLE TO STOP THE TRIAL FOR DEFICIENCY OF  
13 PROCEDURES IN MY WORKER'S COMP CASE AND I WOULD LIKE TO COME  
14 OVER HERE AND REQUEST AND DEMAND FROM YOU GUYS, ELECTED  
15 OFFICIALS, TO TELL THE COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO  
16 SEND ME BACK TO SEE THE AGREED MEDICAL EXAMINER. MY CONDITION  
17 IS GETTING WORSE. YOU SEE ME YOU THINK PROBABLY NOTHING WRONG  
18 WITH ME BUT M.R.I.S WILL TELL THAT I HAVE SEVERE DISABILITIES  
19 IN ALL THE TESTS. THEY DON'T WANT TO SEND ME. THEY WANT ME TO  
20 RUSH OFF WHEN WORK IS CONSISTENT. I ALREADY TOLD THEM I AM  
21 GOING TO APPEAL. SO FAR I AM 93 TOTAL DISABLED FROM THE WORK  
22 INJURIES THAT I SUSTAINED WITH THE EMPLOYMENT OF THE COUNTY.  
23 AND YET THEY WANT TO CHEAT ME OF MY BENEFITS. COUNTY EMPLOYEES  
24 DO NOT GET SICK BECAUSE THEY CHOOSE TO BE SICK. WE HAVE BAD  
25 MANAGEMENT ALL OVER THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE ARE 100,000



1 EMPLOYEES AND YOU GUYS ARE NOT PAYING ATTENTION TO THE ISSUES  
2 THAT CONCERN US, THE EMPLOYEES. WE HAVE BAD MANAGEMENT.  
3 ESPECIALLY AT HEALTH SERVICES. IT'S A MESS. D.P.S.S. IS A  
4 MESS. MENTAL HEALTH IS A MESS. EMPLOYEES ARE WORKING WITH  
5 STAFF THAT IS NOT PROPERLY TRAINED. AND WE HAVE A UNION THAT  
6 DOES NOT CARE FOR US THE EMPLOYEES. THEY ARE RIGHT NOW  
7 FOCUSING ON THE ELECTION FOR NEXT YEAR. THAT'S THE ONLY THING  
8 THEY CARE. AND THEY DON'T CARE FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE  
9 EMPLOYEES OR THE MEMBERS WHO ARE PAYING THE MEMBERSHIP. I  
10 PLEASE COME TO ASK YOU TO BEG YOU TELL THE COUNSEL TO SEE  
11 AGREED MEDICAL EXAMINERS, PLEASE. IT'S A HUMAN RIGHT WHAT I'M  
12 ASKING YOU. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. SERRANO.

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16 **DAVID SERRANO:** THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY IS THE INFINITE FATHER  
17 AND THE INFINITE SON AND THE INFINITE HOLY SPIRIT. THE HOLY  
18 TRINITY IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD. THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE  
19 CREATOR OF THE HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE. AMEN, HALLELUJAH. THE  
20 LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST CREATED THE HEAVEN AND UNIVERSE PRAISE  
21 THE LORD. LIKE IT IS RECORDED IN THE HOLY BIBLE THE BOOK OF  
22 REVELATION THE LIVING GOD JESUS CHRIST PROPHESED THERE WILL  
23 BE A GREAT EARTHQUAKE ON THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SAN ANDREAS  
24 FAULT THAT DEVASTATES REGIONS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A BIG  
25 STORM WITH THUNDER AND LIGHTNING DARKENS THE SKY OF LOS



1 ANGELES COUNTY. IN A YEAR THE MOON IS BLOOD RED AND THE  
2 MOUNTAINS AND THE ISLANDS WILL BE MOVED OUT OF PLACE BECAUSE  
3 OF THE HORIZONTAL DISPLACEMENT. READ REVELATION 10:1 TO 10:11.  
4 THEN 8:1 TO 8:5, THEN 6:12 TO 6:17. BLOOD MOON LUNAR ECLIPSE  
5 WILL HAPPEN ON SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2015 ANNO DOMINI. IN THE 21ST  
6 CENTURY A.D. THERE WILL BE 8 SETS OF TETRAD LUNAR ECLIPSES.  
7 AND THAT'S ACTUALLY PRETTY RARE, VERY RARE, AS A MATTER OF  
8 FACT. REALITY IS JESUS CHRIST IS GOD. AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD.  
9 REVELATION 10:1 TO 10:11 IS ABOUT MANY THINGS WHILE 10:1 TO  
10 10:5 IS AMONG GEOGRAPHY AMONG OTHER THINGS. LOS ANGELES IS THE  
11 CITY OF ANGELS. THE SAN ANDREAS FAULT RUNS THROUGH L.A.  
12 COUNTY. THE ANGEL STANDING WITH HIS RIGHT FOOT ON THE SEA AND  
13 HIS LEFT FOOT ON THE LAND IS A PROPHETIC DESCRIPTION OF THE  
14 TWO TECTONIC PLATES THAT COME TOGETHER AT THE S.A.F. IN LOS  
15 ANGELES COUNTY. THE PACIFIC PLATE IS ALMOST ENTIRELY UNDER THE  
16 PACIFIC OCEAN AND THE NORTH AMERICAN PLATE INCLUDES THE REST  
17 OF CONTINENTAL NORTH AMERICA. REVELATION 10:3-10:4. THE SEVEN  
18 THUNDERS SOUNDED. GOD CALLS THE JEWS FIGS IN JEREMIAH, CHAPTER  
19 24. REVELATION 6:12 TO 6:17, THE STARS ARE THE STARS OF  
20 HOLLYWOOD AND THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS. HALLELUJAH, PRAISE THE  
21 LORD, JEHOVAH GOD REIGNS FOR INFINITY. CHRISTIANITY IS  
22 REALITY, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FOR THE RECORD, WHEN YOU QUOTE THE  
25 BIBLE, DON'T PUT YOUR OWN WORDS IN. IF ANYONE READS IT,





1 THEY'LL FIND LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS NOT MENTIONED, SAN ANDREAS  
2 FAULT IS NOT MENTIONED. AND YOU FEEL THAT YOU HAVE TO REWRITE  
3 SOMETHING, THEN SAY THAT'S YOUR ADDITION. ANYWAY, THANK YOU  
4 VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. WE'LL GIVE YOU \$100 IF YOU CAN SHOW LOS  
5 ANGELES COUNTY IS IN THERE. YOU NEED A SHAVE. YES, SIR. MR.  
6 SACHS AND THEN JOHN WALSH.

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.  
9 AGAIN, I COME UP HERE BECAUSE I DON'T GO TO ANY MORE METRO  
10 MEETINGS BECAUSE I FIND IT SO DISINGENUOUS THAT IN THE WISDOM  
11 OF THE BOARD, THEY LIMIT THE PUBLIC INPUT AT METRO MEETINGS TO  
12 3 MINUTES. WHICH IS VERY SIMILAR TO WHAT HAPPENS HERE AT THE  
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND PEOPLE WILL SAY, WELL YOU HAVE FREE  
14 SPEECH. AND IT'S NOT REALLY ABOUT FREE SPEECH. IT'S ABOUT  
15 QUESTIONING THE GOVERNMENT AND THE ITEMS THAT ARE ON THE  
16 AGENDA. AS IT OCCURS HERE, THE WHOLE AGENDA IS A CONSENT  
17 CALENDAR, WHICH SHOULD BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INPUT BECAUSE IT IS  
18 THE CONSENT CALENDAR, BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
19 QUESTION ANY OF THESE ITEMS IN ANY COMMITTEE MEETING. AT  
20 METRO, AT LEAST YOU CAN GO TO A COMMITTEE MEETING. YOU WILL  
21 STILL GET ONE MINUTE BUT EVEN THAT CHANGED. 3 MINUTES. SO YOU  
22 CAN GET IN AN AGENDA WITH 50, 60, 70 ITEMS IN 3 MINUTES. AND  
23 BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM? BOTH OF THEM HAVE, WELL, 110,000,  
24 115,000 EMPLOYEES. 28, \$29 BILLION IN REVENUE, IN BUDGETS.  
25 ACTUALLY MORE. \$30 BILLION IN BUDGET. AND YOU GET A TOTAL OF 6



1 MINUTES FOR THOSE MEETINGS. THAT'S SO TOTALLY RUDE. BUT WHAT I  
2 WANTED TO POINT OUT HERE AGAIN, THIS WAS THE MOST PUBLIC  
3 HEARING, REGARDING PROPOSITION M, PROPOSITION C FUNDING. SO  
4 YOU QUESTION WHAT MY MORALS ARE OR MY REASONING IS, THE  
5 DIFFERENCE IS \$50,000 BETWEEN THE TWO HALF CENT SALES TAX. AND  
6 THAT DOESN'T INCLUDE MEASURE R. AND BOTH OF THESE REVENUE,  
7 SOURCES OF REVENUE, THE REVENUE AMOUNTS ARE BELOW WHAT WAS  
8 PROJECTED FOR MEASURE R. \$40 MILLION OVER \$1.3 BILLION A YEAR  
9 AND THESE BARELY ARE 50 PERCENT OF THAT. SO WHO'S DOING THE  
10 CRYING? WHEN YOU START PAYING, THEN YOU CAN START COMPLAINING.  
11 WE PAY.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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15 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR  
16 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL. VISIT US AT 2 URBAN GIRLS. YOU DON'T HAVE  
17 TO BE URBAN OR A GIRL TO GO THERE. AND @HOLLYWOODDEMS. TODAY'S  
18 A SPECIAL DAY. THERE ARE THREE SCHOOL BOARD RACES AND ONE L.A.  
19 CITY COUNCIL RACE. IF YOU LIVE-- COME TO MY WEBSITE AND YOU'LL  
20 FIND OUT OUR RECOMMENDATIONS. OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE  
21 SCHOOL BOARD ARE IN THE VALLEY SCOTT SCHMERLSON, GO RIGHT OUT  
22 RIGHT NOW AND VOTE FOR SCOTT SCHMERELSON, AND REELECT BENNETT  
23 KAYSER. HE'S ON THE SCHOOL BOARD, TOO, DOWN INTO BELL AND THE  
24 OTHER CITIES. AND FOR CITY COUNCIL WE ARE VERY MUCH IN FAVOR  
25 OF DAVID RYU. IT'S SPELLED R-Y-U. UNFORTUNATELY THE L.A. CITY



1 COUNCIL IS INTERESTED IN KOREAN MONEY, BUT THAT'S GREEN. WHEN  
2 IT COMES TO KOREAN SKIN, WHICH IS YELLOW, ON A CITY COUNCIL,  
3 THERE ARE UNIFORMLY RACIST. I'D LIKE TO THANK MR. MICHAEL  
4 ANTONOVICH. HE DOES A GREAT JOB OF RUNNING THESE MEETINGS.  
5 WE'RE PROBABLY THE ONLY TWO PEOPLE IN THE ROOM THAT HAVE EVER  
6 TAUGHT IN EAST L.A. AT HIGH SCHOOL. I TAUGHT FOR YOUR HIGH  
7 SCHOOL FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS. BUT I WANTED TO PRAISE MICHAEL  
8 ANTONOVICH BECAUSE HE WAS ONE OF THE LAST TEACHERS OF DRIVER'S  
9 ED. AND YOU NEEDED NERVES OF STEEL TO TEACH 16-YEAR-OLDS HOW  
10 TO DRIVE. RIGHT NOW 100 PERCENT, YOU MUST TURN OFF THE  
11 FOUNTAINS HERE. THE FOUNTAINS ARE TURNED OFF IN THE CITY. THE  
12 FOUNTAINS ARE NOT TURNED OFF HERE AND WE ARE WASTING HUNDREDS  
13 OF THOUSANDS OF GALLONS IN EVAPORATION. REMEMBER, VOTE FOR  
14 SCHMERLSON AND BENNETT KAISER. IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE, IF YOU'RE  
15 IN THE RIGHT DISTRICT, AND VOTE FOR DAVID RYU, R-Y-U.  
16 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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20 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN  
21 ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
22 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS  
23 NO. C.S.-2 AND C.S.-3 CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
24 EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM NO. C.S.-4, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL  
25 COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE



1 CASE, ITEM C.S.-5, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS,  
2 ITEM NO. C.S.-6, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR SACHI HAMAI  
3 AND DESIGNATED STAFF AND ITEM C.S.-7, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL  
4 EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION ONE CASE AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND  
5 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE NEXT REGULAR  
6 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY,  
7 MAY 26TH, 2015 AT 1 P.M.

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1           REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION MAY 19, 2015

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5   In Open Session, item CS-1 was continued to June 16, 2015.

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7   No reportable action was taken on items CS-2, CS-4, CS-5, CS-6  
8   or CS-7.

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10   CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
11   (Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section  
12   54956.9) Ariel Dacumos v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles  
13   County Superior Court Case No. BC456576

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15   This case involves allegations of discrimination, harassment  
16   and retaliation against a County employee. (15-2278)

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18   The Board authorized settlement of the matter entitled Ariel  
19   Dacumos v. County of Los Angeles. The details of the  
20   settlement will be made available once finalized by all  
21   parties.

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23   The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being  
24   present.



1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number  
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do  
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los  
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors May 19, 2015,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to  
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by  
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
16 29th day of May 2015, for the County records to be used only  
17 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts  
18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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20 JENNIFER A. HINES

21 CSR No. 6029/RPR/CRR  
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